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Mahatma Pleads For The Miscreant

TELLS POLICE CHIEF NOT TO HARASS BOMB-THROWER

Satisfaction At Way Delhi Is Honouring Peace Pledge

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21. (A.P.I.): In his post-prayer speech today, Mahatma Gandhi made a reference to yesterday's explosion incident, and appealed to the people to treat the man, suspected of having thrown the bomb, with compassion and pray that he may see the light of reason.

PITY HIM

That man, Mahatma Gandhi said, had told the police that he tried to kill him because he thought him (Mahatma Gandhi) to be an evil person and wanted to save the Hindu religion. Mahatma Gandhi said he had no anger for him in his heart, and hoped that the people would also pity him. Mahatma Gandhi added his life was in the hands of God and that left him with no fear.

He had been told that the suspect was helped by a group of persons and that he was actually an instrument in their hands. To them Mahatma Gandhi wanted to say: "This is not the way to save the Hindu religion. What I ask the people to do alone can save the Hindu religion. That young man thought that he was the saviour. That is wrong. If God were to appoint any saviour of the Hindu religion it would be myself".

Mahatma Gandhi said: He had been receiving anxious enquiries and praise for being unruffled at the incident. He thought that it was military practice and, therefore nothing to worry about. He had not realised till after the papers that it was bomb explosion and that the bomb was meant against him. God only knows how we would behaved in front of a bomb aimed at him and exploding. Therefore, he deserved no praise. He would deserve a certificate only if he feel as a result of such an explosion and yet retained a smile on his face and no malice against the doer. What he wanted to say was that no one should look down upon the misguided youth who had thrown the bomb. The youth should realize that those who differed from him were not necessarily evil. The evil had no life apart from the toleration of good people. No one should believe that he or she was so perfect that he or she was sent by God to punish evil doer' as the accused seemed to flatter himself he was.

DON'T HARASS HIM

He (Gandhiji) had heard that the youth had without permission occupied a Masjid for lack of other accommodation and now that the police were getting all mosques evacuated, he resented the act. It was a wrong thing on his part to have occupied the Masjid in the first place and it was doubly wrong to defy the authorities, who asked him to vacate it.

To those who were at the back of the youth, he would appeal to desist from such activity. That was not the way to save Hinduism.

Continuing Gandhiji said, some Sikh friends came and said that he (Gandhiji) should not think that the Sikhs had anything to do with the deed. He knew the youth was not a Sikh. But what did it matter whether he was a Sikh or a Hindu or a Muslim. He wished well to all perpetrators. He had told the Inspector-General of Police also not to harass him in any way. They should try to win him over and convert him to right thinking and doing. He hoped that the youth and his guides would realise their error.

Mahatma Gandhi said he expected the audience to go on with the prayers in spite of bomb explosions or a shower of bullets. He was glad to learn that a poor unlettered woman was the cause of the arrest of the miscreant. If the heart was sound, if there was right thought, lack of letters was not of any consequence. He congratulated the unlettered sister on her simple bravery.

Next he referred to a note from Bahawalpur sufferers. He had not forgotten them. Even today he had received a telegram from the Nawab Saheb of Bahawalpur saying that he was doing everything possible for the welfare of the non-Muslims in his State. He (Gandhiji) was pursuing the matter in his own way.

CALL TO PAKISTAN

Mahatma Gandhi narrated a telegram that he had received from Sindhi Sikh refugees at Bombay. They said 15,000 Sikhs scattered about in Sind were in danger of extermination. Their life, religion and culture were in danger. arrangements should made for their speedy evacuation. Mahatma Gandhi could never tolerate the extermination of the Sikhs and would do for them all that was possible for one man to do. Pandit Nehru's Government was also fully alive to their responsibility.

He called upon the Sind Government and the Pakistan Government to reassure the Sikh residents there that they would protect them with their own lies. If they could not guarantee their protection, they should gather them in one place and make arrangements for their speedy and safe evacuation. Sikhs were a brave community. They should know that everyone's honour and religion were safe only in his own hands. No one else could rob one of these Parsi friends of his had gone to Sind that day.

Lastly, he expressed satisfaction at about in Delhi. He wanted them to the way Muslims were freely moving continue the process of self-purification and convert their hearts into temples of the living God of Truth.

Mahatma Makes Slow Progress

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21 (API): "Gandhiji is making slow progress", said Dr. Sushila Nayyar this evening, referring to Mahatma Gandhi's health.

MADANLAL REMANDED

NEW DELHI. Jan. 21 (A.P.I.): Madanlal, who was arrested yesterday in connection with the bomb explosion incident at Mahatma Gandhi's prayer meeting, was produced before the special magistrate. New Delhi and remanded to police custody.

The accused will be tried under sections 4 and 5 Explosives Act for having been in possession of explosive materials Investigations continue.

'GREATEST ENEMY OF COUNTRY' SAYS GOPICHAND

JULLUNDUR, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): Dr. Gopichand Bhargava, Premier of East Punjab, in a statement referring to the explosion of a bomb at the prayer meeting of Mahatma Gandhi said: "Whoever has done this is the greatest enemy of our country. His action can in no way be justified. We are thankful the Almighty that Gandhiji has been saved".

PUNJAB LEAGUE CHIEF MEETS GANDHIJI

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21 (API): Mian Ifthikaruddin, President of the West Punjab Muslim League, who arrived here today called on Mahatma Gandhi and acquainted him with the situation in West Punjab. He assur-

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PEACE CAMPAIGN IN DELHI: Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, addressing a meeting. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad is seen on the dais.

Philanthropist To Build 200 Schools And 100 Hospitals

PENANG, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Mr. A. W. Haw, Malayan Multi-millionaire philanthropist announced here today that he planned to build 200 primary schools and 100 hospitals in China. Work would begin as soon as approval was received from the Chinese Government.

STALIN VERY MUCH ALIVE

MOSCOW, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Marshall Stalin appeared in public tonight for the first time since the report early this month that he was ill. He attended a Lenin Memorial meeting at the Moscow Opera House.

Cloth Meant To Be Exported

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (API): The Textile Commissioner to the Government of India, states a Press Note, desires to inform all manufacturers, export wholesale dealers and exporters that all cloth manufactured specifically for export must be exported and should on no account be sold in the Indian market. Serious will be taken of any contravention in this regard.

TELEPRINTER FOR U.P.I. SERVICE

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21, (U.P.I.): The Government of India have granted lease of teleprinter circuits in favour of the "United Press of India" (News Agency) with immediate effect. The Communication Ministry of the Government of India have, it is understood, been directed to give top priority to the implementation of this decision.

Enquiries made in the appropriate quarters in this connection reveal that the teleprinter circuits linking all important provincial centres, are likely to be ready for being released in a fortnight's time.

Jamkhandi To Merge With Bombay Province

BOMBAY Wednesday.

The Raja of Jamkhandi met Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay, today at the Secretariat in connection with the merger of his State with the Bombay Province.

As a result of the discussion that took place at the meeting it is expected that the merger will come into effect from February 6, 1948.

ADMINISTRATOR FOR GARHWAL STATE

LUCKNOW, Jan. 20. (A.P.I.): Mr Jyoti Prasad, District Magistrate Farrukhabad, is being appointed Administrator for the Tehri-Garhwal State where the administration has been taken over by the U.P. Government in compliance of the instructions of the Government of India.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.

Previous Closing	35.31
Today's Opening	35.33
Difference	+2
Today's Closing	34.64
Difference	—67

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.

Opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining $33-3/8.
General Motors $55-7/8.
United States Steel Common $75-3/8.
Preference unquoted.

LAST QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

	Rs.	As.
Cotton Jarila Jan.	543	0
Cotton Jarila March	519	8
Silver Bullion	165	8
Gold Forward	105	8
Sovereign	68	0

Sardar's Assurance To Pakistan Authorities

India Will Do Everything To Make That Dominion Strong And Happy

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 21. (A.P.I.): Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister, addressing a mammoth meeting here today, emphasised that the two bare essentials for preserving the hard-won freedom of India were peace in the land and production of more and more consumer goods and foodgrains.

The meeting was held at the Lal Dharwaza Maidan, overlooking the ancient Siddi Sayed Mosque, famous for architectural rarities.

Sardar Patel said that the presence of the people of Ahmedabad in lakhs showed their love for him and their appreciation of the work he had been doing. He took it that they wanted him to serve them for some years more.

CIVIC ADDRESS

Earlier, the President of the Ahmedabad Municipality presented a civic address to Sardar Patel at the meeting. The address which was read by Mr. Manilal C. Shah, President of the Municipality, eulogised the services of Sardar Patel to the city and the country and referred in glowing terms to the role played by him together with Mahatma Gandhi, during the non-cooperation movement and in the various phases of the political struggle.

Sardar Patel in his speech said that side by side with the attainment of freedom, the people of the country had not been able to enjoy that amount of peace and happiness. The division of the country, which was agreed upon as a condition precedent to the attainment of freedom, brought with it many serious problems, especially in the Punjab and Bengal. The poison of communalism grew in intensity and thousands of innocent men, women and children were either killed or thrown out of their homes. That besmirched the fair name of India and the reputation which Free India should have earned was lost.

MAHATMA'S FAST

Peace had been established, Sardar Patel said, only with the help of the police and the military. There was however, lurking suspicion and distrust in the minds of the people. That was why Mahatma Gandhi went on a fast. Mahatma Gandhi felt that there was no real peace in the hearts and the so-called peace was only through the police. Mahatma Gandhi's fast had always produced good results.

Sardar Patel said that they accepted Pakistan—division of the country—deliberately in the belief that it was a lesser evil. Now that it had become an established fact, they should not act in a way which would worsen the relations between the two Dominions. He was charged by the Premier of Pakistan with attempting to sabotage Pakistan.

He wanted to assure the authorities of Pakistan that the Government of India desired peace and prosperity for Pakistan and would do everything to make that Dominion strong and happy, because that was to the advantage of both.

The Government of India had shown generosity on every issue arising out of the division of the country. It had been appreciated by all impartial observers.

Sardar Patel emphasised that the Muslims of India should have no cause for mistrust or suspicion. Peace was necessary for the all round progress of the country. If the fruits of Swaraj were to be enjoyed to the full, there should be no recourse to the police and the military.

Referring to the closure of the mills and the Swami Narayan Temple in the city, Sardar Patel said that there was no room for untouchability in Free India. Under foreign rule, the then rulers were admitted into temples, because they ruled the country with lathi and police.

Nobody dared ask them if they were Harijans, Sardar Patel said. He appealed to the temple authorities to read the sign of the times and act with vision and foresight.

PROVINCIALISM

Sardar Patel said that provincialism was another unhealthy tendency. He had heard of demands for the creation of provinces on linguistic and other bases. He had no quarrel with those provincial patriots. He appealed to them to stay their hands for a while and concentrate on the immediate problems facing the country. He was happy to say that the small States of Kathiawar, which numbered three hundred, had decided to form a single Union to be known as Sourashtra. He said that consolidation of the country should be their prime concern.

Concluding Sardar Patel appealed to agriculturists and industrial workers to produce more and cooperate with the Government in the maintenance of peace in the country.

Vote For Dr. Shirodkar

Legislative Assembly Byé-Election

ISSUED FROM CONGRESS HOUSE BYCULLA, PAREL (E & F) WARDS
POLLING DATE .. Thurs 22nd Jan.
POLLING HOURS .. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
POLLING STATIONS:

The names of Wards and Divisions as also of the Polling Sation are given below:

E 11 (Marzaon-Tadwadi), at Part of Victoria Gardens at the corner of Parel Road and Connaught Road (for men and women).

E 12 (1st and 2nd Nagpada-Kamathipura), at Muncipal Play Ground at 2nd Peerkhan Street (for men and women).

E 13 (Byculla), at Willingdon play ground at Souter Street. (for men and women).

F 14 (Parel), at Bhiwajirao Nare Park, Parel. (for men and women).

F 15 (Sewri-Naigaum), at Municipal playground, Opp.: Bhatwadi Police Station (for men and women).

F 16 (Matunga) at Vacant plot (northern end) Opp.: Podar College of Commerce Matunga (for men and women).

Every voter has one vote only. He has to mark one X against the candidate of his choice. Congress candidate is Dr. R. K. Shirodkar and his symbol is cart.

Pakistan Rice For South India

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21 (API): Out of 40,000 tons of rice which India is to receive from Pakistan under the recent Indo-Pakistan food agreement, a ship is now loading at Karachi 5,000 tons. This ship is being sent to South India to help relieve scarcity conditions noticed in certain areas.

10 Crore Plan To Aid Refugee Industrialists And Artisans

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21. (A.P.I.): It is understood that the Government of India will shortly set up a corporation with a capital of ten crores to afford financial assistance to, andrehabilitation of, refugee industrialists and artisans.

The necessary legislation for this purpose is expected to be introduced during the forthcoming session of the Dominion Parliament.

Jobs For Refugees

Of the 24,631 refugees registered during the month of December, 1947, at the Employment Exchanges and District Employment Offices of the Ministry of Labour in the Indian Union, 3,899 involving 15,697 dependents were placed in employment, says a Press Note.

The placement figures for this month are the highest recorded so far.

The total number of refugees registered with the Exchanges upto the end of December, 1947, was 64,224, of whom 10,566, involving 47,342 dependents, have been placed in employment.

Refugees Pour Into Srinagar

JAMMU, Jan. 21, (API): Following the invasion of Kashmir, about 40,000 refugees from areas devastated by the raiders have poured into the city of Srinagar, says a Press Note. About 25,000 have been accommodated in various relief centres in villages around the capital, and 15,000 have been lodged in 30 refugee camps in the city.

The Government has made arrangements to render free medical aid to them and doctors visit the refugee camps every day.

The refugee relief organisation has so far collected Rs. 1,00,000 including Rs. 25,000 paid by the Government. Already 2,000 quilts, 25,000 'Namdas', 1,000 pullovers and 1,000 blankets have been distributed among the refugees.

The work of Rehabilitation of Refugees is in progress. They have been supplied with 1,000 maunds of wheat and 1,440 maunds of rice as seed free of charge for cultivation purposes.

Refugee Students Admitted In Colleges

The number of refugee students admitted in the different colleges in the Bombay Province so far reported is: Arts and Science Colleges 627; Medical Colleges 141; Commercial Colleges 67; Law Colleges 27; V. J. T. Institutes 15. and Agricultural Colleges 12.

Some of the students have been helped to secure accommodation in college hostels, but those who could not secure such accommodation have been put up in a hostel specially started by the Government and which is situated at a convenient centre at the Cotton Green Exchange Building at Sewri. The hostel can accommodate about 80 to 100 students and the medical students who have to appear for their examination in April next have been given priority.

INDIA-TIBET ROAD

SIMLA, Jan. 21 (API): The India-Tibet Road (Simla-Matiana section) has been rendered unfit for vehicular traffic due to heavy snow fall particularly near Matiana and on the Phagu-Matiana portion of the road.

WEST INDIES SCORE 81 FOR 2 IN TEST

BRIDGETOWN (Barbados), Jan. 21, (Reuter): The West Indies were 81 for two wickets at the luncheon interval in the first Test match with England which began here today.

POLICE CLASH WITH STUDENTS

Incident At Bagdad: 7 Killed, Many Injured

BAGDAD, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Seven people were killed and many injured when Bagdad police clashed with student demonstrators attending the funeral today of three students killed in yesterday's Anti-British rioting.

Disobeying last night's Government order banning demonstrations and public assemblies, students gathered for the funeral and tried to break the police cordon.

The Dean of Faculty of the Royal Hospital and Medical College resigned today in protest against the police action.

More than 150 people were arrested, including the Secretary-General of the Independence Party, Faiq Al Sammarrai.

Later the police cordoned off the Bagdad law, engineering and medical colleges, where hundreds of students had assembled and prepared to resist attack. The situation was reported under control but tension was running high in the city.

The disturbances began yesterday when students clashed with police in demonstrations against the newly-signed Anglo-Iraq Treaty signed at Portsmouth last week by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin and Iraqi Representatives.

The Iraq National Democratic, liberal and Independence Parties have announced opposition to the treaty declaring that it imposes new obligations on Iraq, in particular acceptance of a Joint Defence Board.

Police today seized the independence party newspaper "Al Istiqlal Al."

Muir Mills Strike And Lockout

KANPUR, Jan. 21 (API): The workers of the Muir Mills Kanpur went on strike yesterday protesting against the reduction in the dearness allowance.

The management has declared a lockout.

It is understood that all stocks of cloth and yarn with the textile mills in the United Provinces have been frozen.

India Beats South Australian County XI

Visitors' Victory By Innings And 106 Runs

MT. GAMBIER, Jan. 21 (Reuter): India won the match against South Australian County XI here today by an innings and 106 runs.

Details Of Play

—Another warm day greeted the Indian cricket tourists when they continued their two-day match against South Australia County Eleven here today.

The picturesque ground is reminiscent of an English county ground and it again held a good crowd of spectators, many of whom had come from the surrounding districts even from distant Victoria.

Hazare as expected declared the India innings closed at the overnight total of 421 for 7.

At the lunch interval South Australia County Eleven had scored 129 runs for the loss of two wickets in their first innings.

The South Australia county batsmen made a good start in their long haste to avoid defeat after India's big score, and by lunch time had scored 129 for the loss of two wickets. This was a better start than India had made yesterday, having 120 on the board, for two wickets at the first interval. Herriott and Skipworth exceeded a run a minute for the first wicket, scoring mainly against the swingers of Sohoni and Ranvirsinhji, but all batsmen had some anxious moments when facing Nayudu. He was frequently mistimed and deserved more success, but was given only six overs before lunch on a real spinners' pitch Amir Elahi was troublesome at first, but lost his length later and was freely punished.

Between lunch and tea the county side collapsed against Sohoni and Mankad who bowled unchanged and the remaining 8 wickets fell for the addition of only 55 runs in 80 minutes.

Tea was taken at the end of the innings and, then, the County side followed, with 237 runs behind and two and a half hours play remaining.

DEADLY BOWLING OF MANKAD AND NAYUDU

The County Eleven were bidding to save the match when first half hour's play produced 49 runs, but then first wicket fell and afterwards they were helpless against Mankad and Nayudu. Mankad took seven wickets for 50 runs in his innings for a match total of 11 for 92 which brought his total of wickets for the tour to date to 70. Nayudu too was at times unplayable, although his figures showed only two wickets, but it was good bowling and the Indian victory a meritorious one on the eve of the Test match.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN COUNTY XI (1st Innings)

Herriott st. Irani b Nayudu	33
Skipworth b Amir Elahi	33
Schultz b Mankad	22
Promnitz b Sohoni	47
Zanker lbw b Sohoni	17
Brearley b Mankad	8
Keven b Sohoni	1
Boase b Sohoni	2
Roberts c Hazare b Mankad	5
Pedler not out	6
McGregor c Hazare b Mankad	2
Extras	8
Total	184

FALL OF WKTS.: One for 63, two for 87, three for 129, four for 156, six for 167, seven for 168, eight for 173, nine for 180.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Sohoni	14	2	37	4
Ranvirsinhji	4	0	20	0
Nayudu	6	0	27	1
Amir Elahi	6	0	41	1
Mankad	11.2	0	42	4
Hazare	2	0	9	0

EXTRAS:
Byes four.
Legbyes three.
No ball one by Sohoni.

S. AUSTRALIA (2nd Innings)

Herriott c and b Nayudu	36
Skipworth c and b Mankad	22
Promnitz b Mankad	9
Schultz lbw b Mankad	8
Zanker b Mankad	15
Brearley b Mankad	15
Boase run out	13
Kevin b Mankad	0
Pedler c Adhikari b Nayudu	2
Roberts b Mankad	0
McGregor not out	2
Extras (byes)	9
Total	131

FALL OF WKTS.: One for 49, two for 65, three for 73, four for 97, five for 103, six for 103, seven for 108, eight for 126, nine for 131.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

	O	M	R	W
Sohoni	3	0	12	0
Hazare	2	0	7	0
Mankad	10.4	0	50	7
Ranvirsinhji	2	0	15	0
Nayudu	8	0	38	2

CRICKET CARNIVAL

The Secretary of the Adult Education Committee writes:

The Cricket Carnival arranged in aid of adult literacy campaign will commence at 11-30 a.m. today (Thursday) at the Brabourne Stadium Grounds. All the stands are at the disposal of the Bombay City Adult Education Committee and seats are being briskly booked at Schools and Colleges. The match is open to the public and arrangements to sell tickets at the stadium on both the days of the match are made. The match is expected to be interesting as the selected players from the Greater Bombay Schools and Maharashtra Schools will be vying with each other to show the supremacy of their respective parties. 22nd January is a public Holiday and the Committee expects that the students and the cricket-loving public will gather in large number to witness our prospective test players especially as the whole income from the match will go to help the noble cause of adult education.

SOVIET TO WATCH WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES

ST. MORITZ, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Soviet observers are due to arrive in St. Moritz next Sunday to watch the winter Olympic games which begin at the end of the month.

It is believed that they may make contact with the International Olympic Committee, which is meeting on January 29, as a first step towards Soviet participation in the games in London in the summer.

A member of the Olympic Office told Reuter today, however, that the Soviet Delegation had given no indication of wishing to have official contact with members of the International Committee. Nor have the names of the members of the delegation been announced.

GIRDHARI TAKES SIX BARODA WKTS.

Kathiawar Set For Victory

DHROL, Jan. 20 (API): At close of play on Tuesday in the Ranji Trophy semi-final between Baroda and Kathiawar, Kathiawar with all their wickets intact in the second innings needed 128 runs for victory.

Pawar and Vichare gave Baroda a good start in their second innings, putting on 45 runs for the first wicket in sixty minutes. Keen ground fielding kept the scoring down, and fifty appeared on the board in seventy minutes. Batting carefully, Pawar and Shinde wiped off the first innings deficit of 67 runs five minutes before the lunch interval, when Baroda's total was 69 for one wicket.

The second wicket partnership carried the total to 102 before a fine one-handed catch by a substitute fielding for Purushottam ended Shinde's useful innings of 38 which included one hit for six and four fours.

A change for the worse from Baroda's point of view then came over the game, mainly as the result of Girdhari striking deadly form, and the remaining eight wickets could add only 107 runs, Baroda's second innings ending half an hour before stumps were due to be drawn.

First, the Yuvaraj of Baroda and Nimbalkar were sent back for two and ten respectively. Pawar, who had been batting odourly for nearly two and half hours, was then bowled by Nyalchand for fifty, the best individual score of the innings.

Baroda were fighting an uphill task, with four wickets in hand and only 62 runs ahead. The last wicket partnership between Ahmad Patel and C. Gaikwar, however, added a valuable 36 runs setting Kathiawar, when they went in on their second innings, the task of getting 143 runs to win.

Balan and Jayantilal, Kathiawar's opening pair in the second innings, were still together, with the total at fifteen for no wickets at close of play.

The scores were:—

Baroda (First Innings)	177
Kathiawar (First Innings)	244

Baroda (Second Innings)

S. G. Pawar l.b.w. Nyalchand	50
S K Vichare c Purushottam b Girdhari	22
Shinde c Substitute b Jayantilal	38
Yuvaraj of Baroda b Jayantilal	2
Nimbalkar c Acharya b Girdhari	10
D Vaikwar c Nyalchand b Girdhari	24
Yakub Shaikh c Jayantilal b Girdhari	0
M M Naidu b Girdhari	9
C K Gaikwar c Gandhi b Girdhari	22
Vivek Hazare b Nyalchand	6
Ahmad Patel not out	16
Extras	10
Total	209

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O	M	R	W
Jayantilal	11	9	35	2
Purushottam	1	0	5	0
Narottam	21	3	51	0
Nyalchand	26	7	45	2
Girdhari	23.1	1	63	6

Kathiawar (Second Innings) for no loss 15

KATHIAWAR (2ND INNINGS.)

Balan not out	9
Jayantilal not out	6
Extras	0

Total for no wickets (at close of play) 15.

England Meets West-Indies In Test

BRIDGETOWN (BARBADOS), Jan 21, (Reuter): England made a good start in the first test match against the West Indies here today getting a wicket with only 18 runs on the board.

J. B. Stollmeyer and C. L. Walcott who opened the innings were digging in and looked comfortable when Laker, playing in his first test for England, clean bowled Walcott for eight with the fourth ball of his first over.

Heavy clouds rolled up and there were a few drops of rain before Cranston, who captained England in G. O. Allen's absence, lost the toss. Headley did not hesitate to take first knock.

THE TEAMS ARE:—

ENGLAND:— K. Cranston (Lancashire), Hardstaff (Nottinghamshire), T. G. Evans (Kent), J. D. Robertson (Middlesex), W. Place (Lancashire), Howorth (Worcestershire), J. T. Ikin (Lancashire), D. Brookes (Northamptonshire), G. A. Smithson (Yorkshire), J. C. Laker (Surrey) and M. F. Tremlett (Somerset). Twelfth Man: J. H. Wardle (Yorkshire).

WEST INDIES:— G. Headley (Jamaica), R. Christiani (British Guiana), W. Ferguson (Trinidad), B. Gaskin (British Guiana), J. D. Goddard (Barbados), G. Gomez (Trinidad), P. Jones (Trinidad), J. B. Stollmeyer (Trinidad), C. L. Walcott (Barbados), E. Weekes (Barbados) and E. A. V. Williams (Barbados). Twelfth Man:— A. M. Taylor (Barbados).

England made a satisfactory start, getting the wickets of the formidable Clyde Walcott, a prolific scorer, and Everton Weekes at a cost of 81 runs before lunch.

Play opened with the batsmen struggling for runs against a steady attack, in which Tremlett and Cranston commanded great respect, and only 14 runs came in the first half hour as the batsmen tried to dig themselves in.

The introduction of Laker, Surrey's Yorkshire-born off-break bowler, at 14, brought disaster for the West Indies.

Laker, with the fourth ball of his first over, dismissed Walcott, who was beaten when playing forward, at 18.

Then followed some fine batting by Stollmeyer and Weekes who, without taking chances, improved the rate of scoring. In the last over Tremlett, the Somerset fast bowler, dismissed Weekes to capture his first wicket of the tour.

Tremlett, coming on for his second spell, induced Weekes to play forward to a ball just short of good length and Evans held a good catch at the wicket.

Lunch was taken at 81 for two wickets.

SCOREBOARD:

WEST INDIES 1ST INNINGS

Stollmeyer (not out)	33
Walcott b Laker	8
Weekes c Evans b Tremlett	35
Extras	5

FALL OF WICKETS: One at 18, two at 81.

KATHIAWAR BEAT BARODA

DHROL, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): In the Ranji Trophy West Zone Semi-Final Match, Kathiawar beat Baroda here today by two wickets. Following are the scores:—

BARODA 1ST INNINGS 177.
2ND INNINGS 209.
KATHIAWAR 1ST INNINGS 244.
2ND INNINGS 143 for 8 wickets.

'No Confidence' In Akram Khan

CALCUTTA, Jan. 20 (A.P.I.): A requisition notice signed by 61 members of the Council of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League, all of them from Eastern Pakistan, was handed to Maulana Akram Khan, President of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League yesterday, asking him to call a meeting of the Council within 15 days to discuss an agenda including "consideration of a vote of no-confidence in Maulana Akram Khan."

LOCAL SELF-GOVT. MINISTERS TO CONFER

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): A conference of Provincial Premiers and Ministers in charge of Local Bodies is proposed to be held in the month of April with the object of making Local Bodies self-sufficient and "to fit them in with the changed conditions", Mr. R. K. Sidhwa, President of the All-India Federation of Local Authorities stated here today.

Mr. Sidhwa, who has just returned from Delhi said that while in the Capital he discussed the subject of Local Bodies with Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Minister for Health and local Bodies in the Union Government and she agreed to call a conference of the kind suggested under the auspices of the Government of India's Local Self-Government Department.

GOVT. FRUIT 'NURSERIES'

A scheme for the extension and organisation of fruit cultivation in suitable tracts of the Province, at an estimated cost of Rs. 6,43,625 spread over a period of five years has been sanctioned by the Government of Bombay, with immediate effect. As a result, central fruit nurseries will be established at Puntamba (District—Ahmednagar), Dharwar, Ratnagiri and Bulsar (District—Surat) and subsidiary fruit nurseries at Bordi (District—Thana), Borgaon (District—Satara), Dhulia (District West Khandesh), Arbhavi (District—Belgaum) and Bagalkot (District—Bijapur).

The Bombay Building (Control on Erection) Ordinance, 1948, has been extended to all the areas in the Province, other than already announced. The ordinance will apply in the new areas only in respect of buildings intended to be used for the purpose of cinemas, theatres and other places of amusement or entertainment.

Dr. F. R. Bharucha and Mr. L. V. Sathe have been appointed to be the members of the Parks and Gardens Advisory Committee.

No Progress Possible Without Peace

Jayaprakash Narayan's Call To Youth To Implement Pledge To Mahatma

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20 (API): Suggestions that the Government of India should introduce legislation to make every one work for his living and to prevent exploitation of labour by capitalists were made by Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Socialist leader today.

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain who was speaking at a public meeting said that young men in the country had to bear increased responsibilities arising out of assurances given by their leaders to Mahatma Gandhi and said: "Gandhiji, by undertaking a risk of his life, has shown you the road to peace and prosperity. It is now for young men to implement the assurances given to him on your behalf". He added that it was up to the youth of the country to build up a new India, an Indian should be a matter of pride to everyone.

"When we have succeeded in establishing complete peace and order in the country", Mr. Jai Prakash Narain said, "we can ask the world to force Pakistan to do justice to their minorities. There is no justification for us to punish the minorities in India for the wrongs done by the people of Pakistan to its minority".

Stressing the need for a new order of society, the Socialist leader said: "We have to end the capitalist system in the country which is at present responsible for the exploitation of the masses. We must enact such laws in the country as should make obligatory for every one to work, excluding only the children and the aged ones".

But progress in the country was possible, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain said, only if the Government of the country was assured of permanent peace on the home front which could not be achieved if they did not follow the lead given by Mahatma Gandhi.

BETTER OUTLOOK FOR CITY SHOP EMPLOYEES

Bombay Govt. Committee's Recommendations

Leave with pay for employees, compulsory weekly closures of shops and commercial establishments, a substantial reduction in the normal working hours in all establishments, except the commercial establishments, and application of the Act to the areas with a population of 25,000 and more—these are some of the highlights of the suggestions made by the Committee appointed by the Government of Bombay to report on the working of the Bombay Shops and Establishments Act, 1939.

In the statement of labour policy issued by the Government of Bombay in May 1946, it was announced that the working of the Bombay Shops and Establishments Act, 1939, would be reviewed and an early endeavour made to remove the deficiencies that might be disclosed. The Government appointed a Committee with Mr. Shantilal H. Shah, M.L.C., as Chairman, Mr. R. R. Bakhale, M.L.C. and Mr. C. C. Shah, as members and Mr. V. P. Keni, Deputy Director of Labour Administration, as Secretary. The report of the committee has now been received and is being published.

The committee has suggested material and substantive changes in the Act as follows:

The scope of the Act should be extended by including in its operation residential hotels and clubs and widening the definitions of "commercial establishment" and "shop." The Act should be applicable to local areas with a population of twenty-five thousand and more.

The total exemptions from the provisions of the Act should be severely curtailed and partial exemptions should be provided. Similarly registration of establishments should be provided and the opening and closing hours of establishments should be fixed.

Weekly (in addition to the existing provision for daily) hours for shops, daily and weekly (instead of existing provision for monthly) hours for commercial establishments should be fixed. A substantial reduction in the normal working hours in all establishments, except the commercial establishments should be effected. Normal spread-over periods be reduced with only a few exceptions which should be limited to brief periods and very few occasions. Compulsory weekly closure of shops and commercial establishments be provided.

Provision for identity cards for employees in residential hotels, restaurants and eating houses be made. Women should be prohibited from before 7 a.m. and after 7 p.m. and the age limit of a child should be raised from 12 to 14.

LEAVE WITH PAY

Fourteen days' leave with pay with freedom to accumulate upto twenty-eight days should be provided.

Provisions relating to cleanliness, ventilation, lighting and precautions against fire should be made. Minimum penalties for offences and higher penalties for repetition of certain offences should be prescribed. Provision relating to maintenance of registers and other records and submitting them for inspection should be improved.

Rate of overtime payment should be raised from one and quarter times to one and half times the ordinary rate of wages in shops, commercial establishments, theatres or other places of public amusement or entertainment and at twice the ordinary rate in residential hotels, restaurants and eating houses. Double employment on holidays or when an employee is on leave, should be prohibited. Dismissal without notice, barring dismissal for bad conduct, should be prohibited.

The Factories Act should be amended, so that the employees in clerical establishments of factories may be governed by it.

Submission of annual report on the working of the Act should be prescribed.

These are tentative suggestions which will be taken into account when drafting a bill for amending the existing law on the subject, after the Government has considered the Committee's Report in detail. In the meantime, the Government has invited public comment on these tentative suggestions of the committee and any person or body having any comment to offer should address the communications to the Joint Secretary to Government, Political and Services Department. They should reach the Joint Secretary not later than Feb. 9.

List Of Candidates For Municipal Election

According to the official list with the Election officer of the Bombay Municipality, there are 97 candidate for the 37 seats available for group 2, nominations for which group closed yesterday evening. The Congress list, the largest in the group consists of 31 nominations, and comprises, Hindus, Muslims, Parsees, Christians and some women. The affiliation of Congress candidates is shown against their names, and the rest belong to the Socialist Party, Muslim League, Citizens Election Board, the Communists and Radical Democrats, as well as independents.

WARD NO. 2, FORT. (1) A. P. Satavala Cong. (2) J. D. Daruvala (3) F. M. Pinto (4) K. N. Gaitonde Congress.

WARD NO 5, DONGRI: 1. M. R. Kassam, 2. I. S. Memon, 3. Suleman Haji Mia A. Darvesh, 4. Ismail Khwaja Hussain, 5. Gulam Hussain Laljee, 6. Ali Mohamed Umer, 7. Azizbhai H. A. Laljee, (Cong.) 8. Abbasbhai N. A. Laljee 9. Yakub H. A. Laljee.

WARD 8, KUMBHARWADA: 1. S. S. Shah, 2. R. V. Kulkarni, 3. M. P. Goragandhi, 4. B. M. Yagnik, (Cong.) 5 H. G. Viswadia, (Cong.) 6. N. C. Pupala (Cong.).

WARD 10, DHOBITALAO: 1. J. D. Desai, 2. Dr. S. Fernandes, 3. Louis Mendes, 4. K. M. Sharma (Cong.) 5. Y. G. Pandit, 6. Dr. K. J. J. Cursetjee (Cong.), 7. K. S. Narula (Cong.).

WARD 13, KHETWADI: 1. Shivram N. Gokhale, 2 A. K. K. Munshi, 3. Mrs M. N. Desai (Cong.) 4. Mrs. V. G. Mehta, 5. Homi J. Talyarkhan, (Cong.) 6. T. K. Khadilkar (Cong.) 7. G. B. Parmekar.

WARD 16, TARDEO: 1. V. S. Velinkar, 2. N. C. Bharucha, 3. S. K. Patil (Cong.), 4. Yusuf Malji, 5. Dr. Homi F. Pavri (Cong.), ... U. B. Shirale, 7. M. R. Kalewar, (Cong.), 8. R. L. Lingai, 9. S. V. Pimpalkhare, 10. Mohamed Taher M. E. Ansari (Cong.).

WARD 19, MAZAGAON: 1. K. M. Rathod, 2. S. B. Ansurker, 3. Dr. M. U. Mascarenhas, (Cong.), 4. R. T. Singh (Cong.), 5 R. N. Mhelji, 6. B. Dhody, 7. S. G. Savant, 8. S. C. Thakkar (Cong.), 9. George Vaz.

WARD 20, BYCULLA WEST: 1. David Shaw, 2. V. A. Karpurkar (Cong.) 3. Adam Adil Usman Sheikh, 4. M. S. Bakshi, 5 Miss Florence Shaw, 6. Balkrishna M. Khandray (Cong.), 7. A. K. I. Fitwalla (Cong.), 8. A. H. N. Ansari (Cong.), 9. H. Shrivastava, 10. R. G. Kharat, 11. S. A. M. Hanif, 12. D. H. Chakre.

WARD 24, LALBAUG: 1. A. B. Vichare, 2. V. B. Varaskar, 3. S. G. Patkar, 4. K. B. Kubal (Cong.) 5. K. N. Sathe, 6. V. B. Koregaokar (Cong.), 7. C. J. Shah.

WARD 27, MATUNGA: 1. D. P. Joshi, 2. M. E. Joshi, 3. G. K. Parekh, (Cong.), 4. L. N. Welinkar, 5. R. N. Pande, 6. K A. Subramaniam (Cong.), 7. U. U. Bhatt.

WARD NO. 30, LOWER PAREL: 1. K. T. Sule, 2. R. R. Yadav (Cong.), 3. V. S. Matker, 4. S. G. Talpule, 5. S. R. Thakur, 6. C. Gajadhar, 7. T. B. Mule (Cong.).

WARD 33, DADAR: 1. S. G. Gokhale, 2. R. K. Vaidya, 3. Dr. Mrs. C. D. Pradhan (Cong.), 4. Dr. M. B. Raut, 5. Dr. A. D. Narde, 6. L. H. Kankere (Cong.), 7. N. N. Purandare, 8. T. R. Narvane (Cong.), 9. Mrs. V. R. Birje.

The dispute between the Mahalaxmi Bobbins Manufacturing Company Ltd., Bombay, and the workmen employed under it, in respect of the reinstatement of certain workers has been referred to the Industrial Tribunal for adjudication.

INDIA FACES HARD TASK IN FOURTH TEST

(From Duleepsinhji, Reuter's Correspondent With Indian Cricket Team).

MOUNTGAMBIER, South Australia, Jan. 21. (Reuter): India faces a most difficult task in the Fourth Test match starting on Friday.

The Australian summer has arrived at last and seems likely to stay so that the weather is expected to be fine and warm. The Adelaide wicket is for bowlers heartbreaking. Australia picked the best possible 12 players all showing top form as the weather improved and Bradman has the choice of playing five bowlers plus Barnes and Neil Harvey which would mean six top ranking batsmen or he can have six bowlers plus Barnes and leaving out Harvey. Whatever his final choice this will be the strongest Australian team of the season. By the Law of Average Bradman should fail but I doubt whether the Law of Average applies to this great player. Australia's only doubts are Toshack's unsound knee and Lindwall's deliveries.

It is to be hoped that Lindwall can overcome dragging his foot over the bowling crease as it would be regretful if a fine career was ruined by an unintentional infringement rule or the Test was marred by his noballed repeatedly.

INDIAN SIDE

The Indian batting with Amarnath No. 3 against Tasmania produced good results and I hope Amarnath No. 3 will produce equally good results in the Test. Mankad, Hazare, Sarwate, Phadkar, Adhikari, Kishenchand and Sen are certainties and Sen has shown great improvement and is much the safer of the two wicket-keepers. Gulmohamed, except for one score, has been a comparative failure while Rangnekar, Rai Singh and Ranvir Sinhji have shown no form for inclusion. Ranvirsinhji perhaps has an excuse for his failure for after a promising innings in his first match against Lindwall and Miller he was not played again for nearly a month and the long gap finished any hope he may have had of running into form.

The Mount Gambier match form may give one or two of these batsmen a place in the Test. Rangachari's good performance in Tasmania is likely to secure him a place although the Tasmanian standard and wicket conditions are entirely different from those which will be experienced at Adelaide. I would prefer to see Nayudu included and given a long spell with the ball. Australia have made big scores against the Indian medium pace bowling so why not give Nayudu a try for he is capable of getting anybody out if he strikes his form. India must hold catches and not ruin good fielding with wild and unnecessary throwing. The weak Tasmanian team in the second match held their own against a much stronger Indian team. Can India fight back like the Tasmanians?

Maharashtra Schools Cricket XI For Bombay

POONA, Jan. 21 (A.P.I.): The annual festival cricket match between a Maharashtra Schools Combined XI and a Bombay Schools Combined XI will be played in Bombay on January 22 and 23. The match is part of the programme of Literacy Week which is being observed in Bombay and will be held under the auspices of the Adult Education League.

The following boys will represent Maharashtra XI: Y. E. Jaffer (Capt.) R R. Shelke (vice-Capt.), P. L. Shelke H. T. Sane, G. S. Gole, S. N Jathar V. S Bhavute, A. B. Bhajekar, D. S. Joshi V. S. Mane, M. P. Shirgaokar.

The team will leave for Bombay to-day by the Poona Express.

Kher's Party To Sardar

BOMBAY, Jan. 20, (A.P.I.): The Deputy Prime Minister of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, was the guest of honour at a dinner party given by the Premier of Bombay and Mrs B. G. Kher at the latter's official residence on Malabar Hill on Tuesday night.

The other guests included H. E. the Governor and Lady Maharaj Singh, the Home Minister and Mrs. Morarji Desai, the Health Minister the Chief Justice of Bombay, Mr M. C. Chagla, the Chief Secretary to the Government, Mr. M. D Bhat, the Mayor of Bombay, Mr. A. P. Sabavala, Sardar Patel's Secretary, Mr. V. Shankar, Miss Maniben Patel, Mr. and Mrs. Dahyabhai V. Patel and members of the Premier's family.

KARACHI, Jan. 21, (API): Dr. Wenger, delegate of the International Council of Red Cross, has arrived in Karachi from Switzerland to enquire about the help needed in Pakistan from the International Red Cross.

THE BOMBAY MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Sjt. Devji Rattansey's Candidature

Sjt. Devji Rattansey is the vice-President of the Grain and Oilseeds Merchants Association, Bombay for the last three years and is a member of the Indian Oilseeds Committee. He is a sitting member of the Bombay Municipal Corporation since the year 1939. He was the Chairman of the Medical Relief and Public Health Committee and the Improvements Committee of the Corporation. He represents the corporation on Food Advisory Council and is on the Committee of the King George V Memorial Infirmary and Lady Dhanbai Cowasji Jehangir Beggars' Home. He rendered yeoman services to the victims of the Explosion in the year 1944 as a Secretary of the Bombay Sheriff's Relief Committee. He is the President of the Mandvi District Congress Committee since 1947. During 1942 movement he was held in detention by the Government. He is at present Joint Hon. Secretary of the Peoples' Anti-corruption League. Seth Devji Rattansey is an enthusiastic Congress worker and he has made wide friendly contacts because of his frank and lovable nature. The Congress Election Committee has nominated him as one of the candidates for Mandvi Ward at the ensuing Municipal Election.

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Disciplinary Action Threat

Asoka Mehta's Reply To B. P. C. C. Notice

Mr. Asoka Mehta writes:

"I and a number of my 50 colleagues who are contesting forthcoming elections to the Municipal Corporation on behalf of the Socialist Party have received a notice from Mr. S. L. Silam, General Secretary, of the BPCC. The notice says: "From newspaper reports as well as from other sources of information, I learn that you have announced your candidature, or your candidature has been announced, for ensuing Municipal Elections in the City of Bombay without the previous approval of the BPCC or in spite of the BPCC refusing its approval. Such candidature is an act of indiscipline".

This assertion of authority is surprising when it is recalled that simultaneously with the announcement of the decision of the Party to participate in the forthcoming elections, we tendered our resignations from the various Committees of the Congress. Mr. Silam should realise that he has no jurisdiction over men and women who have left the Congress.

A majority of my colleagues contesting the elections have an enviable record of national service. They have, however, refrained, as 1,25,000 Congressmen in the city have done, from renewing their Congress membership this year.

The inanity and sterility of the local Congress organisation has led devoted and veteran Congressmen like Purshottam Trikamdas and others to leave the Congress. This withdrawal has nothing to do with the civic elections. The BPCC bosses should realise that the age of the big stick is over. If they refuse to accept the resignations of those of us who held elected positions in the Congress and insist on expelling us, the loss will be entirely theirs.

Many of us are amused to find that the BPCC is observing the Netaji Day this year. Two years back, when there was the possibility of Netaji returning to active politics, the BPCC refused to pay homage to the great leader. Now that the chances of his return are remote, the Congress leaders are anxious to exploit his greatness for their local and limited ends".

ANOTHER DIAMOND RING THEFT

BOMBAY Tuesday.

Jewel thieves seem to be abounding in the City, as within 12 hours of the sensational theft at Messrs Jhaveri Bros. at Medows Street, Fort, another theft was committed at the shop of Messrs. P. Dubash Company jewellers, doing business in the same street.

It appears that four well-dressed customers (who looked like refugees) went to the shop at 2-30 in the afternoon and two of them asked a salesman to show them some diamond rings.

As the salesman was thus occupied one of the other two, it is said, opened another show case and slid n whole box of jewellery containing 12 rings into his pocket, without being noticed by anyone.

Their mission accomplished the quartet walked off without arousing the least suspicion.

It was only long after the four customers left that it was discovered by the salesman that a full box containing diamond rings valued at Rs. 4,000 was missing.

When a reporter of this paper visited the shop this evening a Police officer was already recording the details of the modus operandi of the thieves.

New Statute For Goa Criticised

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (U.P.I.): The Secretary of the National Congress (Goa) in a statement to the press, commenting on the new 'Estatuto Politico' recently conferred on the Goan people by the Portuguese Government from Lisbon, says:

"In the new political status the Goans for all purposes will be for ever slaves of the Imperial Colonial Rule of Portugal. The National Congress Goa) has carried on a struggle in Goa for one and a half years for elementary civil liberties. In the process of this movement hundreds have courted imprisonment and faced humiliation and beating in police lock-up. It is degrading to see that in spite of the brutal repression still being carried out against the people of Goa, there are Goans who can support and co-operate with the Potuguese 'Estatuto Politico', which means perpetuation of Goan slavery. We have nothing but condemnation for the 'Estatuto Politico', which can never be a basis of negotiation with the Portuguese Government."

He further observes: "We demand release of all political prisoners and the granting of full civil liberties so that the people through free discussion, can decide their future political status. The National Congress (Goa) has demanded that Goa be made part of the Indian Union on the basis of self-determination."

CITY & SUBURBS

TO-DAY

Hindu: Posh Shud 11, 2004.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Avval 10, 1367.
Parsi: Amardad 21, 1317.
Sunrise: 7-15 a.m. Sunset: 18-25 p.m.

To-day's Engagements

BRAINS TRUST: Today at the Y.M.C.A., 12 Wodehouse Road, at 6-30 p.m. Panel: Mr. M. R. Masani (Q.M.), Mr. Wayne M. Hartwell, Dr. Rustam J. Maneksha and Dr. Mata Prasad.

SEAMEN'S UNION, BOMBAY: Conference of Indian Seamen in the port of Bombay today, (Thursday) at 4 p.m. (S.T.), at the Cama Hall. Mr. N. M. Joshi, will preside Messrs. Dinkar Desai, N. V. Phadke, C. C. Mendes and others will address.

SHROFFS (BANKERS') ASSOCIATION: It has resolved that members should close their Hundi and other business on Thursday January 22 being a "Public Holiday".

ANTI-TYPHOID INOCULATIONS performed free to the public at Nana Chowk, Joban-Putra Chawl, 418 Gowalia Tank Road, tomorrow (Friday) between 4 to 8 p.m. (S.T.)

NETAJI SUBHASH JAYANTI: Under the auspices of the Matunga Bazzar Committee "Netaji Subhash Jayanti" will be celebrated tomorrow (Friday) in Matunga G.I.P. Bazzar. The following programme has been arranged:—

7-30 a.m. Flag Salutation in Matunga Market, Prof. U. P. Bhat will unfurl the National Flag, and others will address on the occasion.

7 p.m. Public Meeting in Matunga Market. Prominent leaders will address

8 p.m. Procession starting from Matunga Market will go to main streets of Matunga and Dadar, and will terminate again at Matunga Market.

"D" WARD (NO. 13): Congress candidates have started the election campaign of "D" Ward No. 13, Khetwadi in right earnest. An office has been set up on the ground floor of Parekh Hospital, Sandhurst Road. It will remain open from 10-30 a.m. to 7-30 p.m. Another inquiry office been opened at Sardar High School, Khetwadi 12th Lane which will remain open from 8 to 10-30 a.m. and 5-30 to 8 p.m.

NETAJI DAY: Under the auspices of the "A" Ward D.C.C. a flag salutation ceremony will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 8 a.m. at Bora Bazaar Street to commemorate Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti. Mr. Nathal Parikh will unfurl the flag and address the meeting.

All volunteers of the "A" Ward Seva Dal are requested to be present in uniform at 7 a.m. to attend the flag salutation.

HOLIDAY FOR GOVT. GRAIN SHOPS: The following Government Grain Shops will remain closed on January 24, 1948, on account of "Id-E-Milad":—

Government Grain Shop Nos: 27, 31, 33, 37, 41, 44, 45, 51, 53, 54, 66, 69, 71, 72, 75, 87, 113, 115, 117, 125, 126, 128, 136, 147, 159, 170, 178, 181, 186, 199, 221, 223, 225, 226 and 243.

All Civil Supplies Godowns and Sales Offices will remain closed on January 22 and 24 on account of Assembly Election and Id-E-Milad respectively.

SOCIALIST MEETING: Shri Sane Guruji and Sjt. Achyut Patwardhan will address a public meeting under the auspices of the Socialist Party at Shivaji Park Maidan at 5-30 p.m. today (Thursday).

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 2, tomorrow (Friday) at 7-51 a.m. (B.T.), at Municipal Head Office, and go round with them in the Ward.

MR. VALECHA AS LIAISON OFFICER: Mr. Choithram T. Valecha, Sind Assembly Member has been appointed as the Liaison Officer on behalf of the Government of India to look after refugees at Bombay. He will be in-charge of the refugees who are already in Bombay or who will be arriving hereafter. He will also be in constant touch with the Refugee Officers appointed by the Government of Bombay to deal with the refugees in the Bombay Presidency.

JUHU PEOPLES' CIVIC COMMITTEE: The Juhu Peoples' Civic Committee which was formed at a public meeting held on January 11 elected a Council of Action consisting of Nine members, with Rev. Fr. Sylvester Pereira as the Chairman. This Council of Action will meet on or about the 26th January 1948, when all constructive suggestions would be discussed along with the Constitution, Rules and Bye-Laws, and other matters affecting the welfare of the people of the Juhu Island. It is hoped that all those who can participate in all the activities for the welfare of the people, such as election to the Municipal Board, problems of housing, sanitation, and protracted water supply etc., are hereby requested to send their suggestions in writing to Rev. Fr. Sylvester Pereira, St. Joseph's Church, Juhu, so as to reach him on or before the 25th instant.

MEMON RELIEF COMMITTEE: The Memon Relief Committee express their gratitude for the services rendered by Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co., to the refugees, both Hindus and Muslims and providing them with all facilities. The Members of the Memon Relief Committee are thankful to Mr. Robertson, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Nazir, Mr. Latif, Mr. M. M. Hoosein, Passage Staff of Messrs. D. Hemchand & Co., who are taking personal interest in this task with sincerity and enthusiasm.

CHARITIES' FETE: The Charities Fete which had been opened by the Prime Minister in aid of the poor institutions of the Archdiocese of Bombay, and which proved a popular show, closed down on 20th instant. A grand Whist Drive preceded the closing. His Lordship Bishop Gracias thanked the organisers, Mr Harder, proprietor of the Amusement Park, and the large body of voluntary workers who contributed to the success of the Fete.

IMPORT OF CLOTH AND YARN

A Press Note says: The Textile Commissioner to the Government of India desires to make it clear that the Press Note issued on the 19th January 1948 in regard to cloth control was issued by the Government of India.

The Textile Commissioner to the Government of India desires to make it clear that, in pursuance of the decision of the Government of India to discontinue immediately control over the price and distribution of imported cloth and yarn, all instructions issued by his Office to the Importers in respect of goods which have not been paid for, should be treated as cancelled, says a Press Note. The Importers, however, have got to deliver the goods which have been paid for, but not taken delivery of, by the Provincial buyers. No further instructions will be issued by the Textile Commissioner, Bombay, in regard to the piecegoods which were allotted to the Provincial nominees at the meeting of the Importers held on the 16th of January, 1948.

Rani Maharaj Singh, wife of the Governor of Bombay addressed a public meeting at Sunderbai Hall under the auspices of nearly 70 women's associations appealing to all women to devote their time to educate their illiterate sisters. Rani Maharaj Singh is standing second from left in the picture above.

Balraj Sahni who appears in "Kis Ka Bhoot?", the People's Theatre Hindustani play at Sunderabai Hall today (Thursday) and tomorrow.

GUJARAT MUSLIM CONFERENCE

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, Jan. 21.

Warm response has been obtained in Gujarat by Mr. Gulam Rasul Koreishi, Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Gujarat Moslem Conference to be held at Ahmedabad on February 7 and 8 under the presidentship of Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle".

TODAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, Jan. 22.

BOMBAY—1

244 m.— (1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. Amritlal Navsariwala (G. Songs) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 news (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Sarangi Recital By R. S. Bijoor 8-45 U. M. Maniar Gujarati Geet (Sell) 9-0 Shrimatibai Narvekar (Bhairaon).

12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Goda Gani 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Pro Arte String Quartet 2-15 Boyd Neel String Orch. 4-20 School Broadcasts 5-0 Sarangi By R. S. Bijoor 5-15 Children's Half Hour 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Panditrao Nagarkar Pad (P. K. Atre) 6-30 Abdus Salam Ghazal (Sidq Jaisi) 6-45 P. B. Nippanikar (Shudh) Kalyan) 7-0 Topic Of Day 7-10 Local 7-15 Panditrao Nagarkar Puria Dhaneshi 7-30 Swatantrata Namun: Varishtha Adalat 7-45 "Natak" 8-0 News (M) 8-15 news (G) 8-30 "Shaap Shakuntal" (M) mythological play by Chinilal Sheth 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H)

9-30 p.m. BBC News 9-40 Musical Interlude 9-45 Sports Review (B) R. I. D'Avoine 10-0 Adrian De Mello; Violin Wienawski 10-15 Benlamino Gigli (Tenor) and Orch. 10-25 Music Of Theatre 10-40 Emmi Marcus—Pianoforte Chopin Liszt-Verd.

VARIATIONS

41.44 m.— (7,240 kc/s) 7-40 Bhajan 5-45 Instru. Music 6-15 Rural Listeners 61.48 m.— (4,880 kc/s) 7-45 p.m. Com. News 8-0 U. M. Maniar Gujarati Bhajan 8-15 P. B. Nippanikar (Kavi Vihang) 8-30 to 9-0 As In Bombay 1 9-0 Shrimatibai Narvekar Chhayanat 9-30 Abdus Salam Ghazal (Iqbal) 10-0 Panditrao Nagarkar Jaijaiwanti 10-30 Shrimatibai Narvekar Kafi Kanada.

WEATHER NEWS FOR FARMERS

FORECAST: A few light showers in Gujerat and Khandesh today. Mainly dry weather for the next five days.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST TILL THE EVENING OF 22-1-1948 :—

Cloudy today. Fair tomorrow Cooler night.

DISAPPEARANCE OF HUSBAND

Divorce Granted

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Desai)

Aishabai ... Plaintiff

vs.

Alimahomed Mahomed ... Defendant

The plaintiff and the defendant, both Sunni Mahomedans, were married on 9th April 1934. On August 1935 while the plaintiff was at Jamnagar, her husband disappeared and in spite of the most diligent inquiries there was no trace of him since then.

His lordship therefore granted a decree for divorce under the Dissolution of Muslim Marriages Act of 1939 on the ground that the defendant had not been heard of for over four years and had failed to maintain her during that period.

Mr. M. R. Parpia instructed by Messrs. Matubhai Jamietram and Madon appeared for the plaintiff.

Kher To Inaugurate Sholapur Educational Conference

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. B. G Kher, Premier, will leave for Sholapur and Barsi tonight and return to Bombay on Friday morning (January 23).

Mr. B. G. Kher will inaugurate the Sholapur District Educational Conference at Barsi on Thursday (January 22). Same evening the Premier will receive a civic address of the Barsi Municipality and address a public meeting

No Increase In General Tax

S. K. Patil On Govt. Subsidy For Corporation

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. S. K. Patil, leader of the Bombay Municipal Congress Party, declared at a meeting of the Municipal Corporation this evening that his party had decided not to increase the General Tax by 2 per cent as recommended by the Standing Committee of the Corporation.

Mr. Patil was replying to the critics of his party at the resumed discussions on the Municipal Budget. The Mayor Mr. A. P. Sabawala presided.

Mr. Patil wanted to remove the general impression created by the deficit budget that there was something radically wrong with the Municipal Administration. Nothing was further from the truth. The deficit budget, said Mr. Patil, was not due to any acts of commission or omission on the part of the Congress Party which was the majority party in the Corporation. It was due to the abnormal conditions created by the war which had raised the Municipal expenditure to a dizzy height without corresponding increase in its income, the sources of which were limited by the Bombay Corporation Act.

Mr. Patil contended that the deficit of Rs. 50 lakhs was fairly substantial one and to meet it the Standing committee had no other alternative but to increase the General Tax.

GOVT. SUBSIDY

Recently, however, said Mr. Patil, they had negotiated with the Government on the issue and from what had transpired he was confident that the Government was prepared to give the Corporation a subsidy of Rs. 50 lakhs to cover up the deficit.

If this materialised there was no need to increase the tax.

Mr. Patil affirmed that his Party had done everything humanly possible to improve the lot in matters of water supply, education and housing accommodation.

DHONDE'S CHARGE

Mr. M. V. Dhonde, speaking on the budget, observed that the affairs of the Municipal Schools Committee had been a scandal for many years. The lot of the Municipal teachers was so bad that they had ultimately resorted to strike. There were several instances of mal-administration involving waste of money.

Mr. Dhonde declared that the experiment to carry on the administration of a Municipal Corporation by a political party had failed miserably.

The debate on the budget still continues.

BOMBAY MINISTERS

Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-Government and Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Forests Agriculture Bombay, will leave for Bordi (Via —Gholvad) on Thursday January 22 and will return to Bombay the same evening.

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay will leave for Delhi by air on Monday, January 26 to attend the next session of the Constituent Assembly.

Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Industries, Fisheries and Backward Classes will leave for Satara tomorrow morning (January 22), and will return to Bombay on Saturday (January 24.)

CONVENE SPECIAL MEETING

17 Councillors Raise Port Trust Strike Issue In Requisition To Mayor

The Bombay Municipal Corporation have requested the Mayor to convene an urgent special meeting of the Corporation to consider the situation arising from the prolonged strike in the Port Trust.

Port Trust Workers And Kamgar Maidan Incident

Mr. S. G. Patel, General Secretary Bombay Port Trust Employees' Union writes:—

"At the Kamgar Maidan, yesterday, the Port Trust Employees now on strike tried, in a peaceful and disciplined manner, to draw Sardar Patel's attention to a number of seriously incorrect statements made by him about the strike in his speeches. The strikers also wanted Sardar to know that, though they had sought his intervention in the strike, his reply had been dismissal Orders for 8,000 workers involving ejection from quarters and cancellation of ration cards of 40,000 citizens. Such harshness towards workers is unlikely to augment production.

"8,000 Port Trust Employees withdrew from the meeting in a disciplined manner, leaving some 2,000 persons behind. It was then that a group of about 100 persons from Government offices, who are threatened with loss of jobs because of the decontrol, staged demonstration and the scuffle that followed was between them and the Congress volunteers. This is proved from the fact that none of those arrested by the police or of those treated for injury in the K.E.M. Hospital was a Port Trust employee.

"Fairness demands that a constitutional protest expressed in terms of a peaceful walk-out of 8,000 persons should not be denounced as unruly behaviour. It is time we accustom ourselves to the various processes and expressions of democracy in action".

Coins and paper money had the advantage of being easily transportable, but as communications improved and business developed, payments had to be made or received from distant places. It was not always possible to send money by courier and a safer and more convenient method was desirable. Faced with this difficulty the bankers of India evolved the Bill of Exchange or "Hundi", which is a request to a specified merchant to pay a certain sum to the person named. These in turn gave rise to the now familiar cheques and drafts. What a great advance since the early days of barter! You can now buy goods anywhere in India or the world and send a cheque or a draft on a reputable bank.

Savings, too, have become safe and profitable. You can buy securities or deposit money in a bank but a good business man knows that today National Savings Certificates give the highest yield combined with absolute safety, increasing by 50% at maturity i.e. every Rs. 10/- becomes Rs. 15/- after 12 years. The interest is Income Tax free. *You can now invest any sum from Rs. 5/- to Rs. 15,000.* Small Savers can buy National Savings Stamps for As. -/4/-, -/8/- and Re. 1/-. *Certificates are now encashable after 18 months (12 months for Rs 5/- Certificates).*

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WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Jan 21, (A.P.I.):

The following is daily weather summary for Wednesday (21st Jan.)

Rainfall has been local in the West United Provinces and West Central India and occurred at a new places in Assam, the West Central Provinces Gujarat and the Bombay Deccan.

Night temperatures have been markedly above normal generally in North-West India, the United Provinces and the North Bombay Deccan.

FORECAST UNTIL THE 22ND EVENING: Showers and thundery conditions are likely locally in the North Bombay Deccan and West Central India and will occur at a few stations in the United Provinces Rajputana East Central India Berar the East Central Provinces the Konkan scattered precipitation is also likely in Kashmir and Upper Assam.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.):

Following is the daily weather-chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st November 1947 and Departure from normal recorded at eight hours (I.S.T.) on 21st Jan:

Akola 87 63 0 2.4 plus 0.9 Allahabad 77 57 0 0.3 minus 0.9 Amraoti 84 63 0 2.2 plus 0.9 Baroda 76 65 0 0.2 nil BOMBAY 86 74 0 0.2 minus 0.5 Calicut 90 59 0 1.8 plus 0.7 Cawnpore 76 57.0 2.9 plus 1.8 Colombo 88 73 T 14.3 minus 6.6 Delhi 71 55 0 2.6 plus 1.6 Hyderabad (Dn.) 83 61 0 1.1 minus 0.5 Indore 79 58 T 0.5 0.6 Jacobabad 72 44 0 0 minus 0.3 Jamshedpur 80 57 0 2.0 nil Jubbulpore 82 57 0 0.6 minus 0.9 Karachi nil Lahore 66 48 0 0.7 minus 0.5 Lucknow E5 57 0 0 1.1 plus 0.2 Madras 82 68 0 5.5 minus 155.7 Mangalore 89 73 0 2.7 minus 0.8 Marmagao 87 74 0 0.1 minus 1.4 Mysore 84 63 0.2 minus 1.2 Nagpur 83 59 0 2.4 nil Patna 75 54 0 0.3 minus 0.5 Peshawar 60 37 0 0.3 minus 1.4 Poona 88 65 T 0:5 minus 0.8 Quetta 54 21 0 0.1 minus 2.3 Rajkot 75 64 0 0.1 minus 9.2.

Weather News

Summary of observations recorded at 08-00 hours (I.S.T.) on Wednesday.

Local light rain or drizzle has occurred in Kathiawar, Gujerat and the North Bombay Deccan. Malegaon reported 1/4" of rain. Night temperatures were markedly above normal in Kathiawar, Gujerat, the North Konkan and the North Bombay Deccan.

FORECAST UNTIL THE EVENING OF 22-1-1948:

A few light showers in Gujerat and the North Bombay Deccan. Appreciably colder nights in Kathiawar and Gujerat.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

High sacrifice, and labour without pause even to the death: else wherefore should the eye of man converse with immortality.

—WORDSWORTH

The Bombay Chronicle

SHOCKING

The bomb explosion in Mahatma Gandhi's prayer meeting is one of the most shocking incidents in recent Indian history. Any attempt on the life of a distinguished leader is a national crime. An attempt on the life of Mahatma Gandhi is literally an attempt to assassinate the very soul of India, indeed, of humanity. In a very real sense it is an ourage on one's own self-preservation, which is a fundamental instinct of any normal human being. He is the one man "par excellence", who infused life into India, who gave dignity to its four hundred millions, who is the architect of the freedom that every one enjoys today and who has just lifted India up to world-admired heights from the depths to which madness on both sides of the border had purged it within the space of a few months.

What would have been the consequences if something had happened? A shocked people can only shudder to think of it. But this shock, which is happily accompanied by a sense of profound relief, constitutes an urgent warning to the people both in India and Pakistan. What disaster they have escaped has been dramatically brought home to them. It has only one lesson for them both, for the bomb that exploded was, in the ultimate analysis, of their own joint making.

Revised Scales Of Pay

The Bombay Government's revised scales of pay and allowances for non-gazetted Government servants, based largely on the Central Pay Commission's recommendations, seem to be appreciably generous. In these days of rising prices it may be difficult for the lowest paid to be satisfied with the proposed increases and one cannot be too sure about their reaction to the revised scales. But every scale of salaries is governed on the one hand by the needs of the Government servants and on the other by the Government's resources, which do not increase as fast as the demands thereon. A popular Government, however, may be presumed to be as generous as it can afford to be. As regards the revised scales in Bombay, we are told that the average cost of the revision (including the estimated extra cost in respect of revision of pay scales of gazetted officers) is estimated at Rs. 282 lakhs per annum in respect of Government establishments and at Rs. 110 lakhs in respect of grant-in-aid establishments. The cost in the next year will be much more than this amount considering that the revised scales are granted with retrospective effect from January 1, 1947 to non-gazetted servants. Moreover, the scales of pay of all gazetted services are still under consideration, and the cost of their revision is hardly likely to be negligible.

Heavy as is the extra burden involved in the revised scales, a burden made heavier by the huge cost of compulsory primary education and the loss of crores of Excise revenues, it has got to be borne by Government in the interest of efficient service and the well being of public servants. If the service is efficient enough it should help greatly in increasing the resources of the province. The province is rich in its forest wealth and river resources, and the recommendations of the Bombay Industrial and Economic Survey Committee of 1938-40 deserve to be carried out without any further delay. Higher officers of Government can play a notable part in giving effect to these recommendations. And we feel sure there will be no false economy in the salaries and allowances of officers engaged in this work, which promises to add to the wealth of the province.

Pandit Nehru rightly reminds us that "we want a stream of wealth pouring out from our fields, factories and workshops and reaching our country's millions." This stream of wealth can be kept steady and augmented only if our public servants and workers in fields and factories co-operate effectively in tapping the resources of the country. Pandit Nehru, Sardar Patel and many other leaders have repeatedly urged factory workers not to impede the stream of national wealth by unnecessary strikes and thereby decrease their own share of it as well as the share of the public in general. Workers and their leaders cannot afford to ignore these appeals. It is time too the public severely discountenanced frivolous strikes. There is no exaggeration in the present slogan of "produce or Perish". While workers are justly insistent about their legitimate wages and other rights, they must be equally conscious of their economic and political duties, the duties to produce more wealth and offer disciplined service to the country. Better wages can only come from better production.

Frankly Speaking

Welcome News

It is very welcome news that what appeared to be a difficult preliminary deadlock between India and Pakistan over mediation in the Kashmir dispute has been resolved. A 3-Member commission is being appointed by the Security Council to investivate and report to it, and to exercise any mediatory influence likely to smooth away difficulties. It is also to carry out directions given to it by the Security Council and to report how far advice and directions, if any, of the Security Council, have been carried out. Thus the first, and very important, preliminary step for the settlement of a serious situation that gravely threatened to lead to a war has been taken.

"Spirit Of Conciliation"

The main deadlock was over the terms of reference Pakistan wishing to tack on other and rather irrelevant issues to the main one and invest them with equal importance and urgency. That was obviously an unjustifiable demand because clearly, other problems are not of the same kind at all as Kashmir, where fighting is actually going on in conditions and circumstances that very definitely and very imminently "endanger the maintenance of international peace and security." A formula has been found to accommodate Pakistan without prejudicing the Indian case and the urgent demands of the Kashmir issue. This is proof of "the spirit of conciliation" of which Mr. N. G. Ayyangar spoke. The next stage, involving the work of the 3-Member Commission on the spot, will, of course, be more difficult. But if the spirit of conciliation is maintained it can again triumph all difficulties. And, as Mr. Ayyangar pointed out, once the Kashmir issue is settled, all other problems between India and Pakistan will be quickly almost automatically, solved. Mahatma Gandhi's miracle has released a spirit and created an atmosphere promising the establishment of permanent peace and friendship between the two parts of India. Let us earnestly hope both prove worthy of him.

Merger Of Deccan States

The movement of small States merging into the Indian Union is making much faster progress than one could imagine a few weeks ago. Following the merger of a number of such States in Orissa and the Central Provinces, eight of the Southern Maharashtra States, whose representatives had an interview with Sardar Patel in Bombay on Monday, have finally decided to merge into Bombay Province. Only the policy enunciated by Sardar Patel in this behalf requires that the people of the States as well as the rulers should agree to a merger before it can be accepted by the Union. We have not the slightest doubt that the Constituent Assembly of the State people, due to meet at Miraj on the 26th, the Independence Day, will decide unhesitatingly for merger.

Kathiawar And Rajputana

It is reported that almost all the rulers of Kathiawar have agreed to form a new United State called Sourashtra, to come into existence in April next, and that the States will have full responsible Government. A Constituent Assembly will soon draw up a detailed contitution. What is more significant is the provision in the covenant of the rulers that if and when Gujarat is formed into a separate province the new State will merge into it to form Maha Gujerat Province. There is also as strong movement is several States of Rajputana in favour of a merger rather than of a United State. Whatever the decision of the rulers for the present, we have no doubt that soon enough the rulers as well as the people will agree to a complete merger. That way only will the people get the full benefit of responsible Government and the ampler resources of a large province.

Kuomintang War Bases Captured

Communists Claim Big Victories In China

MOSCOW, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Hsin Hua, Chinese Communist News Agency declared today that three large Communist armies had joined hands in the south "proving that the Peoples liberation army has completely taken over the initiative on the Kiangsu, Shantung, Honan and Anhwei fronts," Tass, Official Soviet News Agency, reported.

"The frontier line of the newly liberated areas has been extended to threshold of Nanking, the Government capital", the Agency said.

"The Peoples Liberation Army forces threaten the Kuomintang (National Government) strategical centre in Chenchow. Over 30,000 enemy troops were routed with the capture of three other Kuomintang war bases.

The Agency, quoted by Tas continued: "Many Kuomintang Officers and men have been taken prisoner, but subsequently set free since they did not want to die for Chiang Kai-Shek and readily surrendered their arms in their first encounters.'

"Kuomintang soliers of the routed 355th regiment had white truce flags in their pockets ready to surrender to the advancing Peoples Liberation Army".

"Encircled Kuomintang troops are surrendering in sections, platoons, companies and even complete regiments"

"The Eighth Regiment of the routed third division, which had previously been re-formed came over to the last man to the side of the peoples army in the Peiping-Hankow Railway Area."

U.S. LOAN TO JAPAN

MOSCOW, Jan. 21, (Reuter): The Japanese Minister of Finance, Taked Kurusu has announced that the United States will grant Japan a loan of 700,000,000 dollars (£ 175, 000,000) in the current fiscal year, Tass official Soviet News Agency reported from Tokyo.

The Finance Minister said that large American private investments in Japanese economy were expected the report added.

Gendarmes Watch Shameen Island

CANTON, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Police and gendarmes with mixed bayonets were still stationed today behind barbed wire and sandbags barricades at both brigbes leading to Shameen island, Canton, where the British Consulate and other buildings were burned down in Friday's riots against the British eviction of Chinese "squatters" from condemned hutments in Kowloon, mainland town in Hongkong colony. Although Canton, the South China capital, was quiet and the tension had relaxed, supplies of barbed wire where held in the centre of the city in case of further trouble. None was expected however.

Earlier reports that the Seamen's Union was threatening to boycott British ships could not be confirmed. The eviction of the "squatters" also led to Anti-British riots and demonstrations in Shanghai, Hongkong and Nanking.

I.M.F. Objection To Franc Devaluation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21, (Reuter). International Monetary Fund opposition to France's plans for "variable" devaluation of the franc was reliably reported to be growing last night in the wake of strong British objections to the proposed creation of a free market in hard currency.

British objection is that this would prejudice sterling and other 'soft' currencies in the eyes of Americans. It was being argued that American traders would seek the same favourable rate of exchange for Sterling and other currencies as they obtained for francs.

Reliable reports indicated that British objections were meeting with some success.

MANDAL FOR EAST BENGAL CABINET?

KARACHI Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): Mr. J. N. Mandal Minister for Law Labour in the Pakistan Government may leave the Pakistan Cabinet and join the East Bengal Government as a Minister in the near future, it was learnt here today.

While there was no official information on the subject it was further learned that in case Mr. Mandal continues to stay in the Pakistan Cabinet, one or two representatives of the Scheduled Castes of Eastern Pakistan may be taken in the East Bengal Cabinet.

Argentine Diplomats Expelled From Russia

LONDON, Jan. 20, (U.P.A.): Tass, the official Soviet news agency, said today that two members of the Argentine Embassy staff, an attache and a second secretary, have been expelled for trying to smuggle two friends out of Russia. The dispatch was released one week after Argentine diplomate described the smuggling report, first published in America, as "inaccurate and fantastic".

All-Asian Peasants' Conference

RANGOON, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Thirty-four countries, including Japan and the Soviet Eastern Republics have been invited to an All-Asian Peasants' Conference to be held here from April 6 to 10 under the sponsorship of the Burma Peasants' Union.

KARACHI, January 21, (API): The Karachi Municipal Corporation at its meeting today unanimously passed a resolution condemning the recent disturbances in the city, and considered a proposal for the release of its Hindu personnel who wanted to go out of Sind.

Shillong Rocked By Explosions

Fire In Heart Of City Blows Up Petrol Dumps: Many Injured

SHILLONG, Jan. 21 (API): Troops were called out here during the early hours of the morning to cope with a serious outbreak of fire which touched off a number of petrol dumps, the successive explosions of which shook Shillong, spreading panic among the people.

The fire first broke out at about 2-30 a.m. in the vicinity of the Assam Assembly Chamber. Owing to the explosions of the petrol dumps the fire spread rapidly and electric current in the affected area failed.

The worst of the explosion occurred at about 3-30 a.m. spreading the fire over a still wider area. The military succeeded in isolating the two main underground petrol reservoirs which remained unaffected. The fire was brought under control after it had raged for about five hours.

At one time, grave danger was apprehended to the safety of the people and women and children residing in the danger areas in Quinton Road, Jail Road and Dr. Pulin Deb Road were removed for safety.

MILITARY ON SCENE

At 3-30 a.m. after the biggest of the petrol explosions, the situation became more grave and the Inspector-General of Police, Mr. J. Reid, asked for military assistance. A strong military force, with the necessary equipment, was rushed to the town and entire operation was conducted under the direct supervision of Brigadier Habibullah, the Area Commander and Major Pahalajani, the Quarter-Master General.

A large number of people took shelter in the compound of the Assam Assembly Chamber. The civil population aided the troops throughout the operation.

Although by daybreak the worst phase of the fire was over, the underground petrol dumps, containing a huge store of petrol are still causing anxiety. The military and the police have taken precautions and the entire area continues to be closely guarded.

The cause of the fire and the extent of the loss have not yet been ascertained. It is feared that the damage must be heavy.

A motor workshop with a large number of motor cars buses and trucks was gutted. Many people sustained injuries but no death is reported.

News In Brief

HUBLI:— The Prime Minister of India has been urged by telegram by the Karnatak Unification Mahasamiti to clarify Government's stand in view of Shri. T. Prakasam's statement that Andhra province would be formed in April 1948 by an order-in-Council under Section 290 of the Government of India (Adaptation) Act. A detailed communication has also been sent to him describing in detail the reaction of Kannadigas to the Prime Minister's statement regarding linguistic provinces.

JULLUNDUR, Jan. 21, (UPI): The condition of rice crop in the East Punjab is 90 per cent normal, says a press note issued by the E. Punjab Government today.

The total area under cultivation is estimated at 4,29,300 of which 2,68,300 have been irrigated, the note adds.

"Under the auspices of the Sirat Committee, Ratnagiri, the celebration of Ede-Milad will be held on the 24th inst. in the Lata Talkies, under the presidentship of Dr. Abdul Hamid Kazi, Editor of "Daily Muslim."

KARACHI, Jan. 21, (API): A proposal that a Sindhi regiment should be built up to recruit Sindhi Muslims and enable them to serve Pakistan was placed before the Premier, Mr. M. A. Khuhro, by the Sind Muslim Students' Federation yesterday. The students also demanded that Sind Muslims should be given preference in recruitment to the Sind Police Force.

KARACHI, January 21, (API): The Government of Pakistan have given permission to the Iraq Government to operate a weekly air service from Baghdad to Karachi for six months.

A regular biliteral Air Transport Agreement between Pakistan and Iraq is likely to be negotiated soon.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Jan. 21, (U.P.A): A damage suit asking dol. 11,302,590 against the Ford Motor Company, Dearborn Motors Incorporation, Ohio Tractor and Implement Company, and officials of three, has been filed in the Federal Court.

CHITTANOOGA, TENNESSE, Jan. 21, (UPA): A man who has lived in darkness all his 28 years was honoured as one of United States 10 most outstanding young men of 1947. He is Lavon Peterson of Omaha, Nebraska, inventor and radio engineer blind since his birth.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21, (API): Officers and men of the Indian armed forces under treatment in the combined military hospital, Delhi Cantt., had a delightful surprise this afternoon when the Prime Minister, visited the hospital and spent over two hours speaking to them.

NAGPUR, Jan. 20, (API): The army authorities, it is understood, have issued instructions to adopt "Jai Hind" as the form of salutation instead of the English form of "Good Morning".

TEHERAN, Jan. 20, (Reuter): Abdullah Zireh, described as a Representative of the National Party of Bahrein, has arrived in Teheran, and made contact with Persian Deputies to express the islanders "desire for the earliest possible return of Bahrein to Persia".

BEIRUT, LEBANON, Jan. 20, (Reuter): UNESCO Secretaries, Michael Montagnier and Paul Mathews, have arrived here on an official mission to explore accommodation facilities for this year's UNESCO Conference to be held in the Lebanon capital next October.

MADRAS, Jan. 21, (API): A five year plan involving an expenditure of Rs. 1,00,00,000 for improving the social and economic status of Harijans has been recommended to the Madras Government by the Provincial Harijan Welfare community in their report.

KARACHI, Jan. 21, (UPI): Mr. A T. Naqvi, I.C.S., former Government Whip of the Indian Central Assembly, has been appointed Joint Secretary to the Pakistan's Defence Department. He returned from London last week.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20, (API): The General Council of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation will meet on January 24 and 25 at the Jamia Millia Hall, Karol Bagh, New Delhi.

KARACHI, Jan. 21, (OPI): Dollar sanction for the purchase of a Printing Press from the U.S.A has been obtained, and it is expected that the machinery will arrive here by June.

Br. Warships To Be Scrapped

'Queen Elizabeth', 'Valiant' 'Nelson' And 'Rodney'

LONDON, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Lord Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, told the British Parliament that four of Britain's battleships will be scraped during the next twelve months.

The ships, scrapping of which mean disappearance of some world famous names from the British Navy are the "Queen Elizabeth" 32,700 tons, the "Valiant", 31,000 tons, "Nelson" 33,950 tons, and "Rodney" 33,900 tons.

Lord Hall also announced that the 30,750-ton battle cruiser "Renown" would be scrapped, and that several cruisers—believed to number seven—would also be disposed of in the near future.

What the strength of the British Navy will be after the scrappings is still not clear, but Lord Hall told correspondents: "We have of course five modern battleships which we shall retain." These are: "Duke of York", "Howe" "King George Fifth" and "Anson—all the standard displacement of 35,000 tons and "Vanguard," 42,500 tons.

Lord Hall explained that the battleships to be scrapped had become out of date in their armaments and fighting qualities and more and more expensive to keep in reserve in a proper state of repair.

Pakistan And Aligarh Fund

KARACHI, Jan. 21 (API): A report appearing in the Press that the Pakistan Government has asked the Aligarh Muslim University authorities to transfer the entire fund amounting to more than Rs. 50,00,000 collected by the late Sir Ziauddin Ahmad for the establishment of a Medical College at Aligarh to a bank in Pakistan, was categorically denied by a spokesman of the Ministry of Education, Pakistan, in Karachi, today.

The spokesman said: "The report is entirely without any foundation. The Pakistan Government has made no such representation".

Mahasabha Leader Criticises Govt. Policy Towards Pakistan

PATNA, Jan. 21, (AoP.I.): Mr. V. G. Deshpande, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, criticising the present policy of the Congress and the Government at a public meeting held here this evening said that so long as Pakistan existed there would be no peace in India. Pakistan he added, was openly preparing for conquering India and was training hundreds of thousands of its men for the purpose. Unless the present Dominion Government took Pakistan seriously, the consequences would be disastrous for India.

The Mahasabha, Mr. Deshpande said wanted to take a realistic view of the matter and give a clarion call to the Hindus for the establishment of a Hindu Raj and to take up the challenge against Pakistan in right earnest.

Mr. Deshpande denied that the Hindu Sabha was an organisation of the capitalists and landlords. The Mahasabha he said stood for the abolition of Zamindari system and capitalism and wanted to build up the society on the basis of social equality and justice.

He stated that the Hindu Raj of the Mahasabha's conception was that all communities residing in the Indian Union including Muslims would be treated on equal footing.

GOODWILL MISSION FOR MADRAS

MADRAS, Jan. 21 (U.P.I.): The Indo-British Goodwill and Cultural Mission will be visiting Madras on February 11 and is expected to stay here for a week.

During its stay here the Missions will visit all important educational institutions and health centres in and around the Madras City and also some places in the mofusil.

JINNAH'S RELIEF FUND PASSES CRORE MARK

KARACHI, Jan. 21 (OPI): The Qaid-e-Azam Relief Fund has passed the one crore mark. In this connection the Qaid-e-Azam has issued the following message.

SARDAR RECALLS AHMEDABAD DAYS

Pleads For Service To Country Through Municipal Work

AHMEDABAD Jan. 21, (API): Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister, unveiling the statue of the late Mr. Balvantrai Thakore, who was a co-worker of Sardar Patel, advised aspirants to leadership first to undergo training in Municipal work. The late Mr. Thakore was a popular city father and a social and political worker of Ahmedabad.

Sardar Patel said, "When Mahatma Gandhi and I entered the political field and decided to work for the freedom of the country, we undertook Municipal work." In those days, one could walk through the city of Ahmedabad without any distinction of Hindu and Muslim localities. Then, as now, the filth of the city was a matter of disgrace. Ahmedabad was not a city befitting her industry, adventure and wealth, the Deputy Prime Minister said.

WANTED WORKERS

Referring to the great services rendered by the late Mr. Thakore for the improvement of the city, Sardar Patel said that when he was President of the Ahmedabad Municipality, Mr. Thakore was Chairman of the School Board and the speaker had never felt any anxiety about the administration of that Board.

At present it appeared to Sardar Patel that either there were no leaders or there were too many leaders.

Sardar Patel suggested that if they could not find suitable full time public workers to take up Municipal work, they should employ paid officers and give them full powers of administration. He had found Municipal work ennobling and when he was President of the Municipality, he could enjoy mental peace after his day's work.

CLOSURE OF MILLS

Referring to the closure of mills in the city on the issue of temple entry, Sardar Patel said he could not understand why mills should remain closed if a temple was not thrown open to the Harijans. The city of Ahmedabad had a hallowed name because of its close association with men like Mahatma Gandhi. Sardar Patel further said that there was now a law abolishing untouchability and it was an offence to prevent Harijans from entering temples. It was criminal to close down mills when there was cloth famine in the country. Sardar Patel asked whether the Textile Labour Association, which was the foremost labour organisation in the country was helpless and remarked that people would not be able to enjoy their freedom in that manner.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel India's Deputy Prime Minister arrived here from Bombay by special plane.

Sardar Patel was received at the aerodrome by Mr. Kanhaiyalal Desai President of the G.P.C.C. Mr. U. M. Mirchandani, Commissioner, Northern Division, Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai, Mr. Vadilal Lallubhai and district officials.

Sardar Patel was given a guard of honour by the District Police at the aerodrome. During his two-day stay in the city, Sardar Patel will be the guest of Mr. Vadilal Lalubhai.

KAMGAR MAIDAN MEETING SEQUEL

Man Admitted In Hospital Dies Of Bullet Wound

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The man who received a bullet wound when police tried to control the disturbance at yesterday's Kamgar Maidan meeting which was addressed by Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Patel, died this noon at the K.E.M. Hospital.

He is Hira Narayan, said to be a peon in the Textile Commissioner's office.

Soon after hospitalisation, a bullet was extracted from his stomach, but Hira Narayan's condition became graver.

Enquiries made late tonight showed his body had not yet been removed to the morgue at the Coroner's Court.

Mobs Raid East Punjab Village

JULLUNDUR, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): Muslim mobs including Pathans and Pakistan police again raided the village Kamalpur (Ramdas) on the evening of January 16 says a Communique issued by the East Punjab Government. They were dispersed after an exchange of shots with the police.

Raiders from Pakistan were found cutting sugarcane near the village of Bhairowal, police station Dinanagar, Gurdaspur District, on January 19. They retreated after an exchange of fire with the police.

60 SHIPWRECK VICTIMS RECOVERED

SANTIAGO (Chile), Jan. 20, (U.P.A.): The bodies of 60 shipwreck victims have been recovered from the swift waters of the Imperial River, leaving about 100 persons still unaccounted for in the wreck last night of the river boat Cautin, the chief of rescue operations reported today.

Carabineer Lt. Oscar Ibanez reported by telephone that about 350 persons have been rescued from the ship which was carrying 500 religious pilgrims from Carahue to Puerto Saavedra when it foundered about there miles from its destination.

West Bengal Ministry Formation

CALCUTTA, Jan. 21, (API): The talks in regard to the formation of a new West Bengal Ministry continued today. Dr. B. C. Roy, the newly elected leader of the West Bengal Congress Assembly Party, had another interview with the Governor, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, this evening.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

PARIS, Jan. 21, (Reuter):—Two French political leaders abandoned the western political forum today to recall to their party readers the vast influence of Mahatma Gandhi among the four hundred millions of the Indian subcontinent.

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As the New Delhi report says, a crude bomb exploded with a loud report about 15 yards from Mahatma Gandhi.

If it was intended to make a very loud report throughout the world it has succeeded. But we don't blame the persons responsible for it. They are the stuff of which the psychiatrist's work is made.

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At a big rally in Bangalore, the R.S.S. Chief explained that the object of the organisation was to found a new Hindu Samaj.

The R.S.S. in India and National Guards in Pakistan should embrace each other as allies working for similar ends.

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Addressing a public meeting at Rawalpindi, Mr. Liaquat Ali generously admitted that Pathans were fully justified in accusing Pakistan of an indifferent attitude towards Kashmir.

Quite unnecessary. We had already taken a full note of their-drama in which the Tribal representatives had played the indignant accuser and Mr. Liaquat All the willing defendant.

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Later in his speech Mr. Liaquat Ali extended his sympathetic patronage and brotherhood to Indian Muslims.

Who could blame the unfortnate Indian Muslims if they responded with the cry: Save me from my friends ....?

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Mr. Liaquat Ali was good enough to honour Sardar Patel with a advice in which he "would advise Indian leader to win over Muslims of his State with love and by according them equal treatment as meted out to Hindus and Sikhs."

But doesn't that mean one nation instead of Mr. Liaqat Ali's beloved two-nations' theory?

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According to an East Punjab report, some 300 to 400 Pathans including Home Guards raided a village in East Punjab.

Which only proves the contention that Pakistan has nothing to do with raids on Indian territory and that it's really the Pathans who are responsible for all this.

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A Negro student, we read, has won her fight in the U.S. Supreme Court for admittance to the Law School of the University of Oklahama.

Er.—When was the American Constitution? And the Civil War?

IMPORTANCE OF SCIENCE

Bhatnagar Urges Industrialists To Be Technical-Minded

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): Industry and science go hand in hand because that was the only way of placing India in the forefront in the world, said Sir Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar addressing the students of the Department of Chemical Technology of Bombay University on the occasion of their annual gathering this evening. Mr. P. V. Kane Vice-Chancellor of the University, presided.

Sir Shanti Swarup added: "Our industrialists have not become scientific minded or technical minded. It is time they realise the importance science in the present day world. They must also realise that the percentage of capitalists' profits will be less in the world to be."

Sir Shanti Swarup said that the progress of science in India was retarded by politics, their leaders were fighting till yesterday for the freedom of the country. And after the achievement of freedom the attention of the national Government was diverted to the evils that followed partition of the country. But inspite of the gloomy atmosphere the Prime Minister of India Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was taking keen interest in scientific studies in the country. The Government had already established five national laboratories where research work, which would help the country in its advancement, would be carried out.

Sir Shanti Swarup disclosed that the expenses incurred on scientific research work should be free from any tax.

He advised the students to apply their knowledge to the advancement of the country. In mathematics, India had been second to none in the world and they should help her attain the same position in the field of technical education. "Your interest in the cause of science will be espoused not only by scientists but by politicians and industrialists. Utilise your knowledge in the service of humanity."

Sale Of Kashmir Goods In Bombay

NEW DELHI, January 21, (API): Mr. A. K. Waital, Kashmir Trade Agent in New Delhi, met Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime-Minister of Bombay and discussed problems connected with the display and sale of Kashmir goods in Bombay.

On behalf of the Bombay Government, Mr. Kher promised to give all assistance to the Government of Jammu and Kashmir. He is understood to have issued necessary instructions so as to arrange for the display of Kashmir merchandise in Government showrooms.

He has also promised to help finding out a separate showroom for the display of Kashmir products.

Future Of Fr. Settlements

PONDICHERRY, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): The following is the full text of the "call to the people" made by Governor C. F. Baron and his Council of Ministers: "The time has come to hope, but also to be wise. "You are aware that the Governments of France and India together, and in a spirit of amicable understanding, are about to settle in a few days the future of the French settlements in India. We understand perfectly that the period through which we are passing is a cause of excitement to some minds. "A very near future is surely going to bring about changes and direct our country towards a new destiny. Let us trust to France and the New India that this destiny may be in line with the interests of and aspirations of the people. "Any other altitude then calm and serenity would be to throw doubt upon the wisdom of the statesmen who are seeking together in Delhi the most happy solution for French India.

"Whatever opinions one may hold true patriotism today must consist in order and discipline.

"The Government will put down, without hesitation, all agitations and demonstrations by those who are not conscious of the gravity of the hour in the political and economic field. Let us be calm, confident and full of hope."

Alvas Welcomed In Udipi

(From Our Correspondent)
MANGALORE, (By Mail)

Mr. Jochim Alva, Editor of "Forum" and a member of the Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, who is on a visit to his home town of Udipi with his wife, Mrs. Violet Alva, was the recipient of a civic welcome. An address was presented to him by the Udipi Municipality.

The address recounted the services of the Alvas to the cause of the country and made particular reference to their pioneer role in rousing the political consciousness of the Indian Christian community. The address said that Mr. Joachim and Mrs. Violet Alva were one of the few Indian families in which a husband, wife and an infant babe had suffered imprisonment and expressed great pride in claiming Mr. Alva as "one of our most distinguished citizens".

Responding to the welcome, Mr. Alva observed that with the establishment of a port at Malpe only three miles from Udipi, the region between the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea would, perhaps, become a very wealthy portion of the Indian Union. He advised the councillors to keep out of party politics and concentrate their attention on the preservation of the beauty and health of the Karnatak coast.

Mr. Alva was pleased to note that in Udipi, famed centre of Hindu temples, the tiniest minorities like the Christians and Muslims were treated with utmost kindness by the majority community.

Mrs. Alva pleaded for equal treatment for women with men. She hoped that Udipi would soon have a woman as president of the Municipality. She said that there was rich talent even as the scenery was rich in beauty and charm.

The Alvas were entertained by Kochikar Brothers and Dr. Madhav Pai.

In Mangalore they addressed the students of the St. Aloysius and St. Agnes Colleges. They also addressed the local Catholic community under the presidentship of Mr. Lobo-Prabhu, I.C.S.

Mahatma Pleads For The Miscreant

(Continued from Page 1)

ed Mahatma Gandhi that the Muslim League in West Punjab would do its utmost to establish communal harmony in the province.

Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy had a three-hour talk with Mahatma Gandhi today. He is leaving for Lahore tomorrow to study the situation there.

GRADY'S TRIBUTE TO GANDHIJI

KARACHI, Jan. 20 (A.P.I.): Gypsum (Sulphate of Lime) from Khewra and Kaud Khel mines in West Punjab will be supplied to the Sindhri fertiliser factory in Bihar, it is learnt. This decision of the Government of Pakistan is expected substantially to benefit India's food production.

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For obtaining rationed foodgrains without a ration document, three persons were convicted and sentenced MADHAVAN RAMRAJ and RAMSINGH PILUMAL to two months' rigorous imprisonment each; Billi Munswami to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

For unauthorised possession of food grains and cloth ration cards, Abdul Reheman Daulatkhan was convicted and sentenced to eight months' rigorous imprisonment and pay a fine of Rs. 400 or, two months' rigorous imprisonment.

Mohd. Nazir Lal Mohd. was convicted for selling bread without bread coupons and for profiteering in the same, and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment and pay a fine of Rs. 400 or, two months' rigorous imprisonment.

Railwaymen Hold Key To India's Future

JAYAPRAKASH SETS NEW CODE FOR WORKERS

Federation Discusses Labour's Demands With Board

NEW DELHI, January 21. (A.P.I.): A Delegation of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation. led by Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, President, and Mr. S. Guruswamy, General Secretary, met the Railway Minister, Dr. John Matthai, and members of the Railway Board today and discussed for four hours issues arising out of the implementation of Pay Commission scales.

The Delegation will meet the Railway Member and Board again on Friday to receive Government's reply for consideration by the General Council, which will meet on January 24.

ISSUES UNDER DISCUSSION

The issues are the methods of fixation of pay of pre-1931 staff, the preservation of seniority rights, confirmation of officiating promotions, proper distribution of posts in the different grades, classification of posts as supervisory, skilled and semi-skilled and implementation of the Pay Commission's recommendations about educational assistance, confirmation of temporary staff, rationalisation of dearness relief, rules regulating appeals and the machinery for closer contact between the Railway Administrations and the Unions for increase of efficiency and settlement of local disputes.

The Federation will also press for implementation of the Adjudicator's Award for regulating working hours, weekly rest periods and leave rules of different classes of employees.

As a result of the talks Union representatives expect "important results which will decide the attitude of the General Council."

CALL TO RAILWAYMEN

Meanwhile, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, Federation President, in a circular to all railwaymen emphasises the responsibilities of railwaymen in Free India and asks them to "realise that when the nation is in difficulty we cannot have all that we want or all that is our due."

He says: "The All-India Railwaymen's Federation has been in the past months securing many advantages for railwaymen of all classes, but particularly for the lower paid staff. The anomalies and injustices of the Pay Commission's report have in some cases, at least, been removed.

"There are, no doubt, many points yet to be settled between the Federation and the Ministry of Railways. But the Federation allowed twelve months to the Central Government, in view of the difficulties a new State has to face for the settlement of these points will be settled to your possible satisfaction. I say "best possible" and not "entire satisfaction", because our country is faced with a serious political and economic crisis. In these circumstances, all of us have to make sacrifices. These sacrifices no doubt, should be equally distributed, but we must nevertheless, realise that when the nation is in difficulty we cannot have all that we want or all that is our due.

REVISION OF ORDERS

I am aware that in recent weeks orders have been made by the Railway Board regarding points that had already been settled between the Board and the Federation has taken up these points again with the Board and we shall not rest content till these orders are revised to your satisfaction.

"In this letter I do not wish to write about your demands and the manner in which they have been or are expected to be satified. The subject wish to speak to you about is your role in the present national crisis. The railways today are carrying a responsibility and a burden heavier than those borne by any other Department of Government. I the railways go under there will be stark ruin and economic chaos in the country that will hit the entire nation but hit the working class the hardest. Thus you railwaymen carry today a burden heavier than what even the brave men of our army do.

NATIONAL DUTY

"I also want you to realise that the railways being national property, you are nobody's servant or hireling. If you are any one's servant you are the servant of the nation: just as Pandit Nehru or Dr. Matthai is the servant of the nation. I want you, therefore, to realise that you are not working for the wages you earn; you are not mercenaries. You are toiling to serve your country: to build up a new India. So, if your only interest in your work is the money you earn, you cannot fulfil your duty to your country. You doubtless, have your grievances, but on that account you must not allow your work to suffer. By not doing your duty you will hurt not any class of profiteers but your country, which includes yourselves. You have your Unions and you have your Federation. Through them fight for your demands and fight in an organised disciplined manner. No one can prevent you from doing that. But at the same time, you should be careful to see that your work does not in the least suffer. You cannot be unaware of the very grave complaints that are being made about you by the public today. That you have grievances should be no reason for these complaints to arise.

COMPLAINTS

"The principal complaints that are made and the principal difficulties which, according to the Central Government are hindering the railways from rendering effective service to the public, are inadequate output as regards both new construction and maintenance in workshops and sheds, an appreciable falling off as compared with the past few years in operating efficiency, and indifference, carelessness and even discourtesy and corruption on the part of some railway staff in dealing with the travelling and trading public and a marked decrease in standards of discipline which has substantially affected control by supervisory staff and cooperation between various departments.

READ DIFFICULTIES

"I am sure that you will agree that there is substance in these complaints and that these difficulties are real. If the indifference, carelessness, discourtesy, corruption are not removed, of output does not improve, if the spirit of indiscipline (which is not always due to the misbehaviour of officials) is not suppressed, the railways cannot but go under: And then they will take the whole country down with them. It is the duty of an organised labour movement not only to look after the immediate interests of the workers, but also to ensure honesty discipline, a high standard of work and production—which are essential in the larger interest and which naturally embraces the interests of the workers themselves.

I, therefore, urge you earnestly to remember that while you have to fight for your cause, you must ever be mindful of your duties and responsibilities. The future of the country is in your hands, and with it your own. If India suffers, you too suffer. If India marches onward, you too march with her. If you forget this, if you lose sight of the essentials, nothing and no one can save you."

MUNICIPAL FRUIT AND FLOWER SHOW

The Mayor of Bombay writes:—

The Fourth Annual Municipal Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Show will be held at the Victoria Gardens on Sunday and Monday February 22 and 23. There are numerous lovers of flowers and gardens and enthusiasts of agri-horticulture in the City. Unfortunately, however, in the past they have not been showing sufficient interest in the Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Show sponsored and organised by the Municipality.

Our City is very densely built and we are short of large open spaces, playgrounds and recreation parks. Wherever we go, all round we see mostly piles or buildings of brick, stone and mortar. To relieve this monotony, the citizens of Bombay badly need and should cultivate a taste for gardens and for flowers, lawn and vegetables wherever they can afford to grow them. They add colour and natural charm to the civic environment and I would appeal to the citizens to participate in large numbers in the forthcoming Municipal Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Show and help us in making it a success as it should be in what is the 'Urbs Prima in Indis.'

The Corporation shoulders the burden by giving an annual grant of Rs. 8,000 for this purpose, but it is the exhibitors who can really make the Show a success by entering proper exhibits. It is the duty of all citizens, who can participate in such functions, to do so and I hope there will be a larger number of good entries for the Show from both individuals and Institutions. The Superintendent of Gardens (Victoria Gardens, Byculla, Bombay-27) will be glad to give further information on enquiry.

COLLECTIVE FINES IN KURLA

A collective fine of Rs. 2,000 has been imposed on the inhabitants of Surajprasad Chawl and Mirza Chawl, Old Agra Road, Kurla in connection with a recent incident.

India To Reply To Sir M. Zafrullah Today

Selection Of Commission Left To Dominions' Discretion

NEW YORK, January 21. (Reuter): The Security Council is expected to meet tomorrow to hear India's reply to charges made by Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan, Foreign Minister of Ptkistan in his five and half hour speech to the Council last week on the whole India-Pakistan issue.

It is understood that the question of the method of settling differences with Kashmir itself cropped up during the private meetings of the representatives of Pakistan and India, which are being held at the offices of M. Fernand Van Langenhove of Belgium President of the Security Council.

According to reports of last night's closed meeting, India insisted that the object of United Nations intervention is simply to stop fighting in Kashmir, leaving to India any arrangements for a plebiscite to determine whether the people of the State wanted to join India or Pakistan.

It is understood that M. Van Langenhove had introduced the question by suggesting discussion of a plebiscite in Kashmir. Sir M. Zafrullah Khan is said to have endorsed the idea, but Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, on behalf of India, argued it is understood, that it would be putting the cart before the horse, because the first job is to restore peace.

The argument will be reopened at resumed private talks between India and Pakistan tonight (at 8 pm. G.M.T. 0.1-30 hours I.S.T. (Thursday).

SELECTING PERSONNEL

Selection of the United Nations Commission for Kashmir is being left entirely to the Governments of the respective Dominions, and the names of the countries which they choose to serve on the Commission will be communicated direct to the Secretary General of the United Nations.

At Lake Success today Byron Price, Assistant Secretary General, announced that no selections had been made yet from the Secretariat for the Kashmir Commission. He said the SecrGetariat staff to go to India would be bigger than the Indonesian Commission staff, but smaller than the staff for the Commission on Palestine. The Secretariat for the Kashmir Commission will number about twelve members, and will be selected in the new few days.

NOEL-BAKER'S HOPE

Confidence that qualities of high statesmanship by India and Pakistan will help the Security Council to find a satisfactory issue to the Kashmir dispute was expressed to Reuter by Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker, British Minister for Commonwealth Relations, who is heading the British delegation for the Kashmir debate.

Mr. Noel-Baker said: "All those who believe as I do in the United Nations will be heartened by the first step the Security Council has taken towards ahieving a just solution of the difficulties between Pakistan and India in regard to Kashmir.

"The progress made so far would not have been possible unless both India and Pakistan had been anxious to resolve their difficulties peacefully and in accordance with their obligations as loyal members of the United Nations.

"The next step will naturally call for the exercise of the highest powers of statesmanship and vision by all concerned. Happily thhese qualities are conspicuously present in the two Governments and in their able and authoritative delegations. Combined with the spirit of the Security Council itself and the wisdom of its President, these qualities are turning events in the right direction.

This is only the first step, and I am confident it will lead towards our common goal".

Janjira Struggle Begins: Govt. Offices Closed

Rulers And Officials Of Orissa States Warned

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): The Janjira State Praja Parishad has started a non-violent non-co-operation movement from today, according to a telegram received from the Secretary of the Praja Parishad.

The telegram adds that all Government offices are completely closed, State flags on Government buildings have been removed and the Tricolour has been hoisted. Hundreds of volunteers have been arriving at Murud, the Capital of the State.

ORISSA STATES RULERS AND OFFICIALS WARNED

CUTTACK, January 21, (A.P.I.): Alleging intrigues by the Rulers and former officials of Orissa States to impair the smooth running of the Government Administration, the Orissa Government in a 'communique' says: "It has come to the notice of the Government that some Rulers and many officials of the States have started intrigues in the States in order to create obstacles in the way of the smooth running of the Administration in their areas by the Orissa Government.

"The Government take the earliest opportunity to warn these people that any action overt or covert, calculated to impair the smooth working of the Administration, will be severely dealth with and, if necessary precautionary arrests may also be made. The District Magistrates of the newly formed districts and Administrators have been authorised to discharge or dismiss officials from the States on reasonable grounds of suspicion if it becomes necessary in the interest of the Administration.

"Administrators have been further authorised to keep strict watch on ex-officials of the States in view of information received regarding many of former States officials will depend on the report of the Administrators regarding their conduct in the Interim period."

SARDAR'S GREAT DIPLOMACY

BOMBAY, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): "As a friend and well-wisher of the Rust of Cutch I request him to march with the times and grant Responsible Government to the people at the earliest hour and accept the position of a Constitutional Monarch", said Mr. Gulabchand Amritlal Dholakia, President Cutch Praja Parishad, speaking at a tea party given by Mr. Bhawanji A. Khimpi, a citizen of Cutch.

Mr. Dholakia added that such a course would avert a struggle between the people and the ruler, in which he would have to yield to the force of popular opinion.

He appeared the inhabitants of Cutch not to allow any disruptive elements to influence them.

Mr. S. K. Patil President of the B.P.C.C. replying to the critics of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Minister for States said "The Sardar's policy has gone a long way in bringing round creationary Princes to think in terms or Responsible Government.

"It is his great diplomacy that has made many rulers decide on merger of their States into Indian Union territory."

GWALIOR PROCLAMATION

GWALIOR, Jan. 21, (API): The Maharaja of Scindia in a proclamation here yesterday announced his decision to set up a responsible "Interim" Government with nine Ministers commanding the confidence of Legislature of elected representatives and two Ministers nominated by him. The present Minister will vacate his office on January 21 and the swearing-in ceremony of the Government will take place on January 24.

Announcing his decision, the Maharaja expressed the view that ever since he took charge of the Administration in 1937, his aim had been to establish under him a truly Government of the people, by the people and for the people".

BUNDELKHAND STATES

NEW DELHI, January 21, (API): Rulers of Bundelkhand States are at present having discussions in Nowgong to consider the question of a merger either with the United Provinces or with the Central Provinces according to the geographical contiguity of the States concerned, it is learnt.

It will be recalled that recently the Central India Regional Council of the All-India States Peoples Conference passed a resolution urging the absorption of these States in the provinces. The Council contended that such a merger was essential for the uplift of the people in these States.

It is understood that the initial endeavour of the Bundelkhand Rulers is to st up a United States of Bundelkhand if Rewa agrees. It Rewa does not come in their intention is to negotiate with the States Ministry for a merger.

Excluding Rewa which is the only sizable State in this region, there are 33 States in Bundelkhand 12 of whom are Salute States. Of the remaining 22 States the area of 20 States is less than 70 square miles each with an aggregate population of less than 1,75,000 and a total annual revenue of about Rs. 900,000. The smallest State is Bank a Phari with an area of five square miles and an annual income of Rs. 6,000.

Most of these States are just islands in the U P Districts while a few are near the Central Provinces. The total area of these States, both Salute and non-Salute is about 10,000 square miles with an income of approximately sixty-six lakhs per annum.

It is stated that the position of the Bundelkhand States is far more simple compared with that of the Eastern States.

SHORT-LIVED PEACE IN INDONESIA?

Differences Develop Over Interpretation Of 6-Point Plan

BATAVIA, Jan. 21 (Reuter): Only two days after Dutch and Indonesian agreement to end their two years five months dispute, differences were developing today over interpretation of the six-point plan put forward on Monday by the United Nations Security Council's "Good Offices" Committee in Indonesia.

Dutch disagreement was believed to be about the "clarification" of the Committee's principles given at a meeting last week with the Indonesians at Jogjakarta, Republican Capital of Java.

The Dutch had not seen this clarification when both parties accepted the plan on Monday.

The Dutch Minister of Overseas Territories, M. J. A. Jonkman, told the Dutch Parliament today that the Netherlands Government considered itself bound only by the six points drawn up by the Good Offices Committee, a Reuter message from the Hague reported.

He said the Dutch Delegation "naturally reserved all rights with regard to the views of the Republican Delegation and the "clarification of the six points".

M. Jonkman said an explanation was expected "very shortly".

Reuter despatches from Batavia today said the Republicans had accepted the six principles on Monday "Subject to the Minutes" of the Jogjakarta meeting.

An approved version of the minutes was handed to the Dutch last night and was being closely examined today.

First of the six principle noted that Netherlands sovereignty would remain in Indonesia until transferred to a sovereign United States of Indonesia in which the Republic would accept States status.

A Republican spokesman in Batavia today claimed the minutes of the Jogjakarta meeting meant that the existing status of the Republic was not compromised by this principle and would continue until something to the contrary was agreed upon by both parties.

The Good Office Committee 'clarification" was given in reply to a Republican question about the position of the Republic's existing policy on Finance, Defence and Foreign Relations, Batavia reports said.

Some Dutch sources in Batavia thought today that negotiations might be reopened on the political principles. They said they were "confused and quite surprised" after reading the minutes of last week's Jogjakarta meeting, which led to the signing of the truce in the Indies.

Latest About Franc Devaluation

PARIS, Jan. 21, (Reuter): British insistence on special provision to protect Sterling has delayed the announcement of the new Franc devaluation plan, it was reliably learned here.

Sir Edmund Hall Patch, head of the Economic and Financial Department of the British Foreign Office, arrived in Paris today for urgent talks with the French Foreign Office and Finance Ministry officials on the devaluation question.

A French announcement had been forecast for Friday after the closing of the Stock Exchange, but it appeared today that no decision can be made before Monday.

Arabs Greet Mahatm..

CAIRO, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Azzam Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League, sent Mahatma Gandhi a long telegram this morning on behalf of the Arab League, congratulating him on his escape from yesterday's bomb explosion and also on his lasting effort for the establishment of good understanding and friendly relations between Hindus and Muslims.

Azzam Pasha told Reuter that he had telegraphed Fares el Khouri, Syria's United Nations Delegate, to explore the possibilities of Arab League mediation in the Kashmir dispute.

He said the League was willing to extend its good offices either in New York, Karachi or Delhi.

INTERNATIONAL ARMY TO BE SENT TO HOLY LAND

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 20, (U.P.A.): The United Nations Palestine Commission was today reported to have reached a general understanding that an International Army will have to be sent to the Holy Land to maintain order when British troops pull out next Summer and the United Nations moves in to enforce partition.

Mass Education In Less Than Forty Years

All India Conference Reaches Far-Reaching Decisions

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21 (API): The All-India Educational Conference which concluded its three-day session on Sunday, January 18, 1948 made far-reaching decisions on different aspects of education. The most important item considered by the Conference was the modifications necessary in the plan of educational development set out in the Central Advisory Board of Education's report, popularly known as the Sargent Report, in the light of experience gained since the report was published in 1944. Provincial Ministers of Education, Vice-Chancellors of Universities, Directors of Public Instruction and other eminent educationists present in the Conference were all agreed that the period required to complete the work of mass education must be substantially reduced from the period of 40 years envisaged in the Sargent Report.

As suggested in the report, the Conference agreed that 8 years should be the period of compulsory basic education but in view of the practical difficulties in the way of introducing it immediately, this period might be reduced during the first stage though in no case should it be reduced to less than 5 years. The Conference resolved that simultaneously, to supplement further education, a comprehensive scheme of adult education (through libraries, open air theatres, radio, films etc.) should be put into operation immediately; that for the first 5 years, conditions of training for teachers in basic schools would be relaxed; the work of full-time workers might be supplemented by part-time workers and skilled artisans and the double shift system should be introduced to economise on buildings.

TRAINING FOR ADMINISTRATION

The Conference recommended the establishment of a Central Institute of Adult Education for training personnel for Administration. Supervision and field work and suggested that such a body should give a lead to Provincial and State Governments, local authorities and voluntary agencies. It also recommended that establishment of a Central Co-operative Library. The recommendations of the Central Advisory Board urging the appointment of a Committee to consider the means of financing education at all stages and the appointment of a Commission for Secondary Education were endorsed by the Conference.

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

There was a prolonged debate in the conference about the medium of instruction and finally the conference recommended to the Ministry of Education the appointment of a Committee to consider what should be the medium of instruction and examination at the university stage; the place of the national language in secondary and higher education and its script; the place of English as a language in the university education: The stages by which English should be replaced by the national language or regional languages as medium of instruction and the steps to be taken for the preparation of text books, scientific terminology and requisites for implementing the recommendations made.

NATIONAL CULTURAL TRUST

The Central Advisory Board scheme for the setting up of a National Cultural Trust was endorsed by the Conference with slight modifications.

The Conference urged the paramount need for research in all branches of learning and recommended that the Government of India should do all in its power to encourage the universities and research institutions to undertake research.

The interim report of the Scientific Man-Power Committee was also considered by the Conference which recommended that early action to implement the report should be taken.

Mackenzie King's Resignation From Party Leadership

OTTAWA, Jan. 20 (Reuter): The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King, who late last night announced his retirement as leader of the Liberal Party, has still given no definite answer to the fortnight-old rumour of his impending resignation as Prime Minister.

When the 73-year-old Premier announced his retirement from the party leadership in a speech to more than 800 party supporters at the annual dinner of the Federations Advisory Council, he did not, as expected, designate his personal choice as a successor to lead the party.

He called for a National Convention of the Party to be held this summer to elect a party leader, but did not close the door on the possibility that he himself might accept re-election.

He did not mention the Premiership, though traditionally this office goes to the party leader in power.

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WITH EFFECT from January 19, 1948, Government has cancelled the Orders, dated the 7th September, 1944 and 28th March, 1945, requiring monthly and weekly declarations of stocks of the various food grains, products of food grains, mixtures of food grains, pulses, groundnuts, cottonseeds, vegetable ghee, charcoal, kerosene etc., and substituted them by a new Order. Under the new Order which applies to Greater Bombay declarations have to be submitted to the Director of Civil Supplies (Statistical Section) once a month—on the 5th day of every month showing the stocks held on the last day of the previous month only in respect of wheat, wheat flour, wheat atta, wheat rava, wheat-bran, rice (including broken and patni) rice flour, paddy, jowar, jowar flour, bajri, bajri flour, barley, barley flour, barley bran, maize, maize flour, maize rava, ragi, mixtures containing one or more of the foregoing articles and kerosene. Declarations for each of the above articles excepting kerosene are necessary only if its stock exceeds 5 maunds (of 82.2/7 lbs.) and for kerosene if the stock exceeds 8 gallons. These declarations are in addition to those to be submitted under the Bombay Food Grains Control Order, 1947.

S. Africa Convicted In Eyes Of World

Malan On Repercussions Of U. N. O. Decision

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 20 (Reuter): At question time in the South African Union Assembly, Mr. E. H. Louw (Nationalist) asked Prime Minister what retaliatory measures so far had been taken by the two Indian Governments against Union nationals and in respect of Union products.

General Smuts said: "The Union Government is aware of the fact that Union nationals are discriminated against as a result of measures which were instituted by the Indian Government in 1946. These restrictions upon Union nationals relate mainly to entry of such nationals into India. Full details are, however, not available. As the honourable member knows, there is since 1946 an embargo on trade with the Union".

Mr Louw asked the Prime Minister whether it was with his knowledge and approval that the Leader of the Union's Delegation to the United Nations suggested that discussions should take place between the Union Government and the Indian Government with regard to measures and legislation of the Union Government and Union Parliament in connection with Union nationals of Indian descent."

Mr. Smuts replied: "The leader of the Union delegation with full authority of the Union Government suggested that a possible procedure for resumption of friendly relations would be for the two governments to agree to re-examine the policies which were announced in 1947 and 1932."

UNCALLED FOR

Mr. Malan said: Asiatic Land Tenure and Indian Representation Act had come before Parliament two years ago without anyone having asked for it. It was an entirely uncalled for piece of legislation. If it had been intended as a solution of the Indian question it had failed completely. It had had no effect whatever on attitude of the Indian community towards Government. Measure of segregation contained in act failed to prevent penetration into European areas. On contrary the Indians after passing of act had gone overseas and made charges against South Africa which resulted in a boycott against Union.

They had gone further and complained to U.N.O. and obtained a conviction against South Africa as a result of which South Africa today stood convicted in the eyes of the world not only in regard to the Indian question but in regard to the colour question as a whole.

The Indians had now announced their intention within the next four days to cross the Natal frontiers into the northern provinces in contravention of the law. What did the Government propose to do about it? He asked.

TORY M.P. SUGGESTS DEFENCE FORCE FOR COMMONWEALTH

LONDON, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—A British Commonwealth Defence Force, organised in peace time and capable of taking immediate and co-ordinated action in the event of the sudden outbreak of atomic war, was called for tonight by Vice Admiral Ernest A. Taylor, Conservative Member of Parliament.

Addressing a meeting of the British navy league on "the Empire and Defence" Vice-Admiral Taylor said that "no sound scheme of imperial defence could be worked out unless it was certain that if war did break out every single member of the British Empire and Commonwealth immediately came into the war."

In the atomic era the whole empire must be immediately ready and efficient to take action against any aggressor or else it would be too late. Any weakening in the chain of empire defence would be fatal.

Recalling that the statute of Westminster gave each Dominion the right to declare itself neutral in the event of war, Admiral Taylor warned against the consequences.

The Admiral said that it would be impossible to foresee what would happen if the new Dominions of Pakistan and India remained neutral in a future war, which, since they were not "our kith and kin," was not impossible. Britain's bases between Mediterranean and Singapore would be lost and a vital chain in the link of imperial defence would disappear.

CORFU CHANNEL DISPUTE

Britain Submits Observations To International Court

THE HAGUE, Jan. 20 (Reuter):—The British Government to-day submitted its observations on the Corfu Channel dispute to the international Court of Justice in conformity with the court's ruling that the British must reply to the Albanian plea not later than January 20.

The issue concerns the mining of two British destroyers in the Corfu Channel, off the Albanian coast, October 22, 1946, with the loss of 44 British lives.

The Albanian plea, filed on December 11, declared the British application inadmissible. This application had followed a United Nations Security Council recommendation on April 9 last that the International Court should consider the dispute, in which Britain claimed compensation and an apology from Albania.

R. S. S. Chief Acquitted

DEHRADUN, Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): The Sessions Judge, Dehradun, Mr. Rindhir Singh, set aside the conviction of Brijkishore R. S. S. Chief, who was recently sentenced to two years' R.I. under Public Safety Ordinance, holding that the conviction was illegal.

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BURMA'S BUDGET POSITION

More Favourable Than Expected

RANGOON, Jan. 21. (Reuter): Bruma's budget position is more favourable than was expected at the beginning of the financial year in September 1947, the Burmese Finance Minister, U. Tin, said here.

According to present indications, the estimated budget deficit of about 37,000,000 rupees would be more than counterbalanced by the increased revenue expected during the current year, he said.

The fall in the note circulation from 670,000,000 rupees also ensured the financial stability of the country, the Minister added.

The rupee was stable and backed mostly by sterling security, but he deprecated as "unjustified" the abnormal increase in gold and commodity prices since the declaration of independence on January 4.

"Financial confusion is caused by false rumours and spread by persons with ill-conceived motives" he said.

Burma To Nationalise River Transport

RANGOON, Jan. 20 (Reuter): The Burma Government is planning to nationalise the river transport system at present operated by the British-owned Irrawaddy Flotilla Company, a press communique stated tonight.

Negotiations are continuing, the communique said but gave no transfer date of other details.

The Irrawaddy Flotilla Company was established in 1875. It resumed its operations after the war on the basis of a three-year contract expiring in January next year.

BURMA'S SURPLUS RICE

RANGOON, Jan. 21, (Reuter): Burma will have about 1,600,000 tons of rice for export this year, it was officially announced here.

FRENCH GOVT. BANS SOVIET WEEKLY

Twenty Russian Citizens Expelled

PARIS, Jan. 20 (Reuter): The Soviet weekly Russian language newspaper "Soviet Patriot" has been banned by the French Government, it was reliably learned in Paris today.

The ban followed a raid on the premises of the Union of Soviet citizens, a body formed after the war by Russian exiles in France who had decided to adopt Soviet citizenship.

The Union's headquarters, and the editorial office of 'Sovietski Patriot, are in Rue de Galliera, in the fashionable westend of Paris.

Leading officials of the Union of Soviet citizens were among a group of more than 20 Soviet citizens arrested by the French police and expelled from France—first to the French and then to the Soviet occupation zone of Germany—at the end of November.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS TRAINED IN BRITAIN

First Students Come From India And Pakistan

In order to meet, as far as practicable, the rising demand from students of electrical engineering who desire to receive training in the operation and maintenance of the British grid system, the Central Electricity Board has instituted a training scheme, consisting of six different courses, one of which is devoted to the needs of students from the Dominions, Colonies and foreign countries, writes Mr. Victor Gordon.

The scheme has been warmly welcomed both by India and Pakistan, who have been the first Dominions to take advantage of it, although the number of students from overseas who can be accepted at any one time is limited to six—one student in each of the Board's six district offices. The first three vacancies have been filled by Indian and Pakistan applicants, one of whom is already taking the course.

In Stotland, where he will gain first-hand knowledge of big hydro-electric power schemes being developed there, is Mr. N. Saha, who took his degree at the College of Engineering and Technology, in Benga.. The two other vacancies have been reserved for Mr. E. H. Choudhury, a graduate of the Victoria College of Cooch Behar, and Mr. M. Ali, a graduate of the Punjab University.

ONE-YEAR COURSE

The qualifications required of the students are that they must have either passed the graduate examination of the Institution of Electrical Engineers or have obtained either an engineering degree at a British university (or an engineering diploma at a technical college), with passes in electrical subjects or an equivalent engineering degree with passes in electrical subjects of a recognised overseas university or college. They must also have had some practical experience in electrical engineering before taking the course.

The course is a standard one, lasting a year, a student spending four months each in the operation technical and transmission departments. To mention but a few of the many and various branches of work in which he receives expert and thorough tuition, both theoretical and practical, there are preparation of load despatching programmes and plant overhaul programmes; commissioning tests of transformers, switch gear and protective gear, metering and communications equipment and the operation and maintenance of relays and protective equipment, maintenance and repair of overhead lines and cables, live-line insulator testing and fire and safety precautions. In fact, the Board provides the student from overseas not only with a general impression of the work involved in operating and maintaining a grid system, but at the same time gives him as much detailed instruction as possible.

With great developments in electrical power taking place in India and Pakistan, there will be an ever-increasing demand for engineers with training such as Mr. Saha is now receiving in Britain, and it is expected that a greater proportion of the future vacancies for the course will be filled by students from the two Dominions.

TWO CRORES FOR AIR SERVICES FIRM

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20. (A.P.I.): Consent for the issue of Rs. 2,28,84,600 in respect of four companies was given during the fortnight ended January 5, 1948, under the Control of Capital Issues Scheme. A sum of Rs. two crores was approved for a company to operate international air services.

Ceylon's First Governor-General

COLOMBO, Jan. 21, (Reuter): It is officially announced that the King on the recommendation of the Prime Minister of Ceylon has approved the appointment of Sir Henry Monckmanson Moore, at present Governor of Ceylon to be the first Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of Ceylon from February 4, when Ceylon attains her independence.

Rajen Babu To Visit Ceylon

COLOMBO, Jan. 20 (Reuter)—Dr. Rajendra Prasad, President, Indian National Congress, is expected to be India's representative at the forthcoming Ceylon Independence celebrations in February.

It is reliably learnt that Pt. Nehru, who was to have himself visited Ceylon in this connection, is unable to do so owing to pressure of work.

Orissa To Have One More Minister

CUTTAK, Jan. 31, (U.P.I.): The Orissa Cabinet of five is being expanded to 6 with the inclusion of another Minister. It is learnt that Lala Ranjit Singh, M.L.A. of Sambalpur, has been appointed the new Minister.

SRI PRAKASH HOPES FOR GOODWILL BETWEEN THE TWO DOMINIONS

KARACHI, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): Mr. Sri Prakasha, High Commissioner for India in Pakistan, commenting on the end of Mahatma Gandhi's fast said: "It was a great relief to learn about the end of Mahatma Gandhi's fast. Like millions of others I express my joy at the successful termination of his fast and hope that peace and goodwill will reign supreme between the communities and among the two Dominions.'

PATNA, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): The film "The Postman Always Rings Twice" produced by Metro Goldwyn Mayer, certified by Bombay Board of Film Censor will be deemed to be a uncertified film in the whole of the Province of Bihar, according to a Bihar Government notification.

"Strikes....that way lies danger," Sardar Patel seems to say, addressing a big meeting of workers at the Kamgar Maidan on Tuesday evening.

ROYAL COURT SHOULD STRIKE AUSTERITY NOTE

LABOUR M.P.'S CRITICISM IN PARLIAMENT

LONDON, Jan. 20 (Reuter): The view that the British Royal Court and the number of retainers should be reduced was expressed in the House of Commons today by Labour Member Ronald Chamberlain.

He was speaking during a debate on a bill—which was given a second reading by 214 votes to 15—to increase Princess Elizabeth's allowance from £15,000 to 40,000 pound a year on her marriage and to grant 10,000 pound a year to her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh.

Just before Chrismas the Labour Party had been completely split over a proposal to reduce the allowances by 5,000 pound each

A large number of Labour Backbench, who thought the court should strike an austerity note, then took advantage of a free (non-party) vote to vote against the Government.

Today's figures show many of these must have abstained from voting, because the second reading had the support of opposition and the Labour Party has nearly 400 members.

Mr. Chamberlain, leader of the critics denying that he was a Republican said he was not attacking the Royal family or Royal couple who were 'kindly sincere, well-intentioned and of the highest integrity".

He was not suggesting that the Royal family should be asked to keep an expenses account. They should be maintained have an adequate allowance for personal and private needs, and expenses incurred on public duties should be put to an expenditure account.

The present system, he said, was disservice to the Royal family.

Blum Praises Gandhiji's Efficacy

PARIS, Jan. 21 (Reuter).—Two French political leaders abandoned the western political forum today to recall to their party readers the vast influence of Mahatma Gandhi among the four hundred millions of the Indian sub-continent.

M. Leon Blum, Socialist elder statesman, writing in "Le Poulaire", asked if it was not possible that one man could change to a certain extent the course of history in the sense of Carlyle. "Is it not true that the evolution of historical events can be accelerated, twisted, perhaps even changed by the action of out-of-the-ordinary persons? And does not this truth remain compatible with historic materialism provided that it is conceived in the bosom of the latter? M. Blum wrote.

"Would the course of the last 20 years be the same if great men like Wilson and Roosevelt, if a man superior to the rest of mankind such as Lenin, if a total stranger to normal humanity such as Hitler had not emerged, each in his turn, to the surface of history?

"And behold, at a moment when war appears irrevocably unleashed between two peoples, at a moment when it has already begun, a stubborn old man arrests it from his bed of sickness."

'Gandhi is no chief of State, he has no physical power at his command, he acts by the sacrifice of his person on two peoples who have faith in him.

M. Maurice Schumann, head of the Popular Republican Party, wrote in 'Laube" of his recent visit to India and the Far East, when he saw Mahatma Gandhi: "I thought that the Mahatma was just an admirable survival and that his rebellion, strong enough to triumph over the British, would succeed under the very forces who he had himself created. This ending would have taken nothing from the grandeur of his life, but we must try to understand it, for it is in fact superhuman; a man who moves a world is never without grandeur. But when his world throbs with four hundred million souls and when this man is no more than a puff of wind his struggle become divine."

MAHARAJ SINGH SHOCKED

BOMBAY, Jan. 21. (A.P.I.): Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, in a statement said to-day: "Am shocked—as are all in this province—at the attempt on Mahatma Gandhi's life. Thank God it did not succeed."

Nepal Ruler's Telegram To Mahatma

RAXAUL, Jan. 21, (A.P.I.): The Maharaja of Nepal has sent a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi wishing him good health and congratulating him on the successful termination of his fast.

JAIPUR PREMISES APPEAL FOR PEACE

JAIPIR, Jan 21, (A.P.I.): Sir V. I. Krisnamachari, Prime Minister of Jaipur, has appealed to the people of the State to fulfil the conditions laid down by Mahatma Gandhi for communal harmony in the country.

He says: "To the relief of India and of the whole world Mahatma Gandhi has broken his fast. In doing this he has laid on all of us the sacred duty—to work for sincere friendship among Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs of the Union and similar friendship in Pakistan. Only if all of us observe it can India regain her soul and assume her rightful place among the great nations of the world.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Weekly Statement Of Affairs

The following is an account of the Reserve Bank of India, for the week ended the 16th day of January:—

ISSUED DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	11,62,25,000
Notes in circulation	1262,23,32,000
Total Notes issued	1273,85,57,000
Total Liabilities	1273,85,57,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities; 92.612 per cent.

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,45,000
(b) Held outside India	....
Sterling Securities	1135,32,89,000
Total of A	1179,74,34,000
B. Rupee Coin	36,27,19,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	57,84,04,000
Interna. Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper	....
Total Assets	1273,85,57,000

BANKING DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Central Government of	
(1) India	327,84,69,000
(2) Pakistan	6,53,33,000
(b) Other Governments in	
(1) India	12,35,75,000
(2) Pakistan	1,22,71,000
(c) Banks	94,08,52,000
(d) Others	35,67,98,000
Bills Payable	4,33,93,000
Other Liabilities	11,14,66,000
Rupees	503,21,62,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Notes	11,62,25,000
Rupee Coin	12,58,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,55,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	....
(b) External	....
(c) Government Treasury Bills	2,43,04,000
Balances held abroad	373,56,28,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	10,00,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	1,20,000
Investments	101,26,20,000
Other Assets	4,18,52,000
Rupees	503,21,62,000

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 21.

Market opened round about last closing. Fluctuations were very last row, general trend to book profits at budgets.

Calico opened 1482, Highest 1490, Lowest 1419, Closed 1485.

Ambika opened 460, Highest 462, Lowest 459, Closed 460

Arvind opened 1672, Highest 1691, Lowest 1670, Closed 1689.

Deferred opened 1918, Highest 1926, Lowest 1912, Closed 1934.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1689, Ambika 460, Calico 1485, Marsden 221, Monogram 191-8-0, Deferred 1934 Atul 50/14 Ashok 675 Aryodaya ginning 610, Aryodaya spinning 470, Rohit 447-8-0 Rajnagar 425, Vikram 472-8-0, Bulakhi 245 Girdhar Harivallabh 305, New Cotton 522-8-0, Arum 825 New Jahangir 2000 Vivekanand 270 Jahangir 1047-8-0 Lalmill 493-12-0.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20. (API): Lt.-Gen. K. M. Cariappa, after relinquishing his appointment as General Office Commanding-in -Chief, Eastern Command, has today, succeeded Lt.-Gen. D. Russell as the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Delhi and East Punjab Command. Lt. Gen. Russell will remain at army headquarters, India, in an advisory capacity.

British Peer Criticises U.S. Attitude In Palestine

Outside Interference Cause Of Failure Of Mandate

LONDON, Jan. 20. (Reuter): The United States attitude to Palestine was crititicised by Lord Altrincham (Conservative) during a debate on Palestine in the House of Lords today.

Lord Altrincham, who as Sir Edward Grigg was British Minister Resident in the Middle East during the war, said he believed the British mandate for Palestine could have been carried out but for the frustration caused by events outside Palestine—persecution of Jews in Europe and the "cynicism, indifference and self-seeking of other powers using Palestine for their own purposes".

Lord Listowel, Minister of State for the Colonies, replying to the debate, said provocation and counter-provocation had multiplied in Palestine. Casualties between November 30 and January 18 this year included 345 Arabs killed and 873 wounded, 333 Jews killed and 633 wounded; 20 British soldiers killed and 72 wounded.

The Jewish Agency, he said had been told that Jewish self-defence organisations would not be obstructed so long as they acted in a purely defensive role. Strong counteraction, however, would be taken against offensive or provocative actions.

He re-emphasised that Britain was determined to terminate the mandate by May 15 at the latest and complete the withdrawal of her troops by August 1. These were terminal dates which might be advanced but could not be postponed.

QUESTION OF TROOPS FOR PALESTINE

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 20. (Reuter): The question of troops for Palestine was discussed to-day for the first time by the United Nations Palestine Commission in preliminary study, and a general understanding that troops could be provided only in strict compliance with the General Assembly resolution on partition was reached.

The Commission questioned whether, in the absence of any official United Nations information from the scene, press despatches could be used in evidence for the necessity of sending troops.

WEAPONS NOT SOLD TO ARAB LEAGUE

Pandit Nehru Denies Egyptian Press Reports

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (Reuter): Democratic representative Emanuel Celler, of New York, today made public the text of a cable from Pandit Nehru which branded as wholly devoid of foundation reports from an Egyptian newspaper that the Arab League had purchased large quantities of weapons and ammunition from the Indian Government for use in Palestine.

Mr. Celler said he had cabled Pandit Nehru for information about the dispatch in the "Ros el Usef" that the Arab League bought weapons from both the Indian and Afghanistan Governments.

BACKSTAGE GAME IN PALESTINE

'Izvestia' Condemns British Tactics

MOSCOW, Jan. 20 (Reuter):—'Izvestia', official Soviet Government newspaper, said to-day that Britain was "secretly conniving with Arab ruling circles" in Palestine in the hope of retaining her position in the Arab orient and "blocking the road to American competitors".

"Arab top circles" were summoning all Arabs to a holy war and 5,000 former British and United States soldiers, including two American Generals, had volunteered to serve them, it added.

"All that is happening in Palestine now is undoubtedly the result of a quarter of a century of the British policy of 'divide and rule'," 'Izvestia' added.

"The present backstage game being played by Britain in Palestine is directed against the decisions of the United Nations and consequently against a settlement of the complex Palestine problem."

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS Jan. 21.

Following are today's quotations in the stock exchange:

SUGAR AND BREWERIES: Deccan 23/4 Do 56/12 Mysore 58/4 Travancore 16/14 Do New 8/14.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 9/8 Chembras 11/1 Malankaras 49 Midlands 5/8 nil, Neergundis 10/9 Ouchterlony 11/2 Periakaramalai 33/4 Pullangodes 1/11/6 Thirumbadi 3/1 Vakundam 8/7 Waterfalls 3/0/6.

TEXTILES: Balasubramania 41/4 Balasubramania "B" 74 Bangalore Woollen 70 Buckinghams 955 Cambodias C R 26/12 Coimbatore C M 132 Coimbatorepioneer 109 Coimbatore Spgs X R 53, Lakshmi 109/8 Maduras 48/8 Mysore Silk Filatures 11/10 Rajalakshmis 168 Sitaram Spg 132, Trichinopoly 13/6 Vasantas 113/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cements 91 Do "B" 8/15 India Cements 18/12 Ind. St. Rollings 10/10 Mettur Chem. 11/4 Mysore Chem. Mfrs. 13/3 Mysore Paper 16/12 Spencer 11/2 Dull Conditions prevailed on the local market with Indian Banks lower at Rs. 162/8 and Travancore Banks at 32/8 Indian Sugars gave way at Rs. 19/12 Fes Shares also were fractionally lower whilst Textiles continued steady Maduras were better at Rs. 48/8 the market closed barely steady.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, Jan. 21.

Coiryarn Beypore 170/180 Quilandy 190/200 Fibre Garbled 130 Ungarbled 120 Cocoanuts Raw 118/119 Dry 120/122/8 Cocoanutoil 395 Copra Office 275 Dilipsand 290 Madrasmottam 300 Pepper Wynaad 825 Country 800 Dryginger Chernad 240 Ernad 225 Coffee Robusta 98 Timber Pali 47/55 Junglewood 27/30 Vellapine 45/50 Benteak 50/52/8 Teak 90/100, Mangoplank 2/8/3 Teak 12/17/8 Rosewood 12/20.

CALCUTTA SHARE BAZAR

CALCUTTA, Jan. 21.

The Calcutta Stock Exchange today ruled steady along with a fair business. The following are today's final transactions upto 2.30 pm.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES:— three per cent loan 1966 100/12 three per cent loan 1951/54 102/12 three per cent loan 1953/55 102/9 three per cent victory bonds 1957 102/7 four per cent loan 1960/70 113/9 small lot.

BANKS:— Calcutta National 17/10 Imperial Bank country 337/8 Reserve Bank 118/- United Commercial 78/8.

COTTONS:— Cawnpore Textiles 12/12 Dunbar 324/- Elgin Mills 62/8 New Victoria Ordy 6/6 Ditto Pref 7/4

COALS:— Bengal 595/- Small Lot Bhalgora 13/6 Burrakur 27/6 Equitable 49/4 Satpukuria 3/-.

JUTES:— Anglo India 418/- Champdany 259 Small Lot Gourepore 728/- Howrah 92/10 presidency 8/13.

ENGINEERINGS:— Indian Iron 36/11 Kumardhubi Eng 11/8 Marshalls 7/5 Steel Corpn 32/7 Textile Machinery 12/-.

MISCELLANEOUS:— Burma Corpn 3/14 Consolidate Tin 2/9 Indian Copper 3/4 Tavoy Tin 1/11 Sone Valley Cement 12/- Bathgate and go 6/15 Bharat Airways 8/6 British India Corpn 10/5 P. and C. Oeler 12/11 Indian National Airways 13/14 Ivan Jones 6/- Ardine Henderson 185/- Martin Burn 19/8 Small Lot National Tobacco 39/10 British Burma Pet. 3/8 Titaghur Paper 47/2 Assam Saws 8/1 India Steamship 15/8.

SUGARS:— Belsund 1/- Cawnpore 30/4 New Savan 11/12 U. P. Sugar 14/14.

TEAS:— Bamnatia 20/- Choonabhutti 410/- Dibrugarh 20/- East India 23/12.

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FORT HOUSE, BOMBAY.

Short Covering And Scattered Buying In Share Bazar

COTTON PRICES RISE TO NEW HIGH LEVEL

Bullion Market Fixes Final Cut Rates

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady today under short covering and scattered buying. Some traders believe that Steel Shares are attractive as compared with Textile shares and are inclined to buy on declines. As pointed out before the market has no definite trend and jobbing business is responsible for narrow fluctuations

Tata Steel Dfd. shares opened today at 1917/8 and after declining at Rs. 1.910 advanced at Rs. 1,935 and steadied at Rs. 1,930 Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 377 and after declining at Rs. 375 advanced at Rs. 379 and steadied at Rs 378 Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 1,210 and declined at Rs. 1.200 but improved at Rs. 1,217/8 Kohinoors opened at Rs. 641 and after declining at Rs. 634 advanced at Rs. 644. Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 661 and after touching Rs. 659 improved at Rs. 666. There was active buying in Tata Chemicals which registered a rise of over rupee one at Rs. 19.

Later on the market was steady and Tata Steel Dfds. improved at Rs. 1.940 while Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 379 Dyeings were placed at Rs. 1.225. Kohinoors were done at Rs. 645 while Swadeshi shares were quoted at Rs. 668. Bombay Burmas were quoted at Rs. 506 and Belapurs stood at Rs. 324. Scindia shares changed hands at Rs. 30/5. Closing tone of the market was steady.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1225 Kohinoor 648 Swadeshi 669 Nagpur 364 Simplex 248 New Great 447 Gokak 368 Indore 667/8 Century X B 500 Colaba 320 I Bleaching 156 Swan 375 Finlay 348 Morarji 592/8 Edward 662/8 Meyer X. D. 220/10 Apollo 4/3 I. U. Ordinary 17 I. U. Defd. 3/3 Madhusudan 280 Poddar 380 Khatau X D 277/8

STEEL

Tata Steel Ord 379 Tata Steel Defd 1955 Second 151/4

CEMENT

Associated Merger 186

INDUSTRIES

Burma X D 507/8 Belapur X D 325 Shivrajpur 186 Scindia X R I U 30/6 Construction 238 Tata Chemical 19 Tata Oil 66 Indian Iron X D 36/12 Bengal Steel 32/9

ELECTRIC SHARES

Tram Ord 139/8 Tata Hydro 160 Andhra 1502/8 Power 1582/8

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 91 Phoenix 480 Ind. Mfg. 4465 Kooria 280 Dawn1545 David 145 New City 225 Minerva 213/12 Bradbury 702/8 Bharucha (Defd.) 7 Bharat 46/8 Mysore 240 Madhavji 19/6 Model 211/4 Laxmi X. D. 1635 Vishnu X. D. 627/8 Western 4358 Standard 500 Sholapur 6285 Sassoon Cotton 19 Hindustan 4550 Tata 85 Ahmedabad Advance 600 Sassoon Silk 72/8 New Union 19/2 Madhusudan 292/8 Shriniva 450 Raja Bahadur 125 Berar 265 Victoria 425 Simplex Cpn. 124.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 148/12 New 137/8 Surat 171/4 Karachi 145 Broach 11 Ajmer X. D. 9/10 Amalgamated 15/8 Nagpur 56/8 Poona 150 Bombay Suburban 166/4 Bombay Suburban (New) Prem. 100.

BANK SHARES

Reserve 114/8 Imperial 2227/8 P P 551/4 Central 95 Coupon 20 India 242/8 Union 10/13 Baroda 172 Habib 151/8 Dena Bank 60 United Commercial 76 Jaipur 52 Hindustan Com. 42 Mysore 365 Exchange (Ord.) 50 Eastern 105.

INSURANCE

Oriental 6300 Empire 785 New India 80/4 Jupiter 33/8 Vulcan 14/9 Indian Mercantile 55 Universal Fire 15/12 British India General 21 Prud 36/8 Neptune 7 New Great 27 All-India General 31.

RAILWAYS

C. P. 107/8 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Pachora 100.

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock X. R. 325 Steamer X. D. 585 Burma New X D 165 B B Petrol 3/6 Mackenzie 145 Port Canning 75 Kemp 510 Zandu Pharmacy 180 Indian Investment Trust 106/4 Wimco 317/8 Dharamsey Chemical 37 Mukund Iron 10 Dena Trust 24 Alembic 267 Supreme India 130 Jamwire 108 Bombay Uganda 80 Bombay Motor Cycle 42 India Cement 32 Walchand Nagar Industries X. R. 190 United Motor 74 A. C. C. New 112/8 Bombay Safe Deposit 865 Hydri Construction 15/6.

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 205 Tram 50 Andhra Valley 1362/8 Tata Power 1435 Hycro 136/14 Bombay Steamer 323/12 Nagpur 705 Swadeshi 146/4 Vishnu 825 Laxmi 310 New Great 225 Poddar 115/10 Shrinivas 101 Elphinstone 123/12 Bradbury 497/8 Surat Elec. 165/10 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 127 (Second Pref.) 123/12 Amalgamated 135 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 115 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 17/10 Supreme 120 Meyer 125 Mackenzie First 127/8 Mackenzie Second 125 Ahd. Advance 143/12 Mysore Mill 51 Standard 100 Madhusudan 12.

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 103/8 B. Steamer 1950 (8) 106/12 I Rume Pipe (6) 111 Tata Power 1951—102/8 Walchandnagar (6) 117.

OUTSIDE SHARES

India Copper 3/4 B I C 10/2 Burma Corporation 3/12/6 New Victoria 6 New Victoria Preference 7 Raja 28 Phalton 122 Gold Mohar 350 Kaiser-I-Hind 380 Sajjan 302/8 Osmanshahi 300 Azamshahi 250 Air Service 13 Air Ambika 17 Air India (Tata) 185 Hind Motor 8 India Steam 15/8 Sone Valley 11/8.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

After yesterday's sharp decline the local market was steady to-day with moderate short covering. Majority of traders believe that in the long run cotton prices will decline and are not inclined to support the market. However after declaration of fairly large option business, we will have orderly markets. At present there is scarcity of long staple cotton but with free movement of new crop the situation is expected to be easy.

At the opening March was quoted at Rs. 504 and advanced at Rs. 508 on short covering and thereafter the market steadied at Rs. 507, January was quoted at Rs. 529 while May July and September stood at Rs. 513, Rs. 521 and Rs. 527 respectively.

The monthly Teji-Mandi was declared at Rs. 508 for March delivery and thereafter there was scattered selling. Quotations at 2-15 p.m. were as under:—

Thereafter there was active buying and March advanced at Rs. 514/6 when long liquidation appeared and March reacted at Rs. 511/8. The market finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. January	529-4-0
I.C.C. March	514-0-0
I.C.C. May	516-4-0
I.C.C. July	526-12-0
I.C.C. Sept.	531-12-0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton March contract is 1660 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Jan. 20.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing
Jan.	527	520	527
March	508	499	507
May	515	508	514
July	522	517	522
Sept.	527	522	527

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 21

No business was reported to-day in the Bullion market owing to difficulties of Valan. In this connection the Merchant Committee has met to discuss the situation. Nominally Silver was quoted at Rs. 164 and Gold at Rs. 105/8

The meeting fixed final cut rates. Silver old delivery Rs. 166/- New Rs. 165/8. Gold old Rs. 105/12 and New Rs. 105/8.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

The produce market was steady today with moderate business passing. There was slightly better enquiry for groundnuts while castorseeds quietened on speculative unloading but at lower levels there was scattered buying. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS:—			
Khandesh ready	Rs.	32	10 0
Bold ready		32	2 0
Bold December-January		32	0 0
Bold February-March		31	8 0
Oil January		17	12 0
Oil February		17	8 0
Oil March		17	9 0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
Ready		35	0 0
May opened		144	0 0
May highest		144	2 0
May lowest		141	12 0
May Close		141	12 0
Oil First Pressing		22	0 0
Oil Com. Quality		20	8 0
LINSEED:—			
Ready		30	8 0
February-March		29	4 0
April-May		27-15	0
Oil		18	0 0

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Jan. 20.

March	3.06-1/2 nominal
May	2.99-1/4 to 2.99-1/4
July	2.66-1/2 to 2.66-3/4
September	2.60-1/2 to 2.60-3/4

NEW YORK COPRA MARKET QUIET

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (UPA). Reports that SCAP bought 1,000 tons of Philippine copra at 335 dollars f.t.u.t. in otherwise quiet situation in the copra trade.

Traders said that this would translate into a price of $20 dollars per short ton cif Pacific Coast which is five dollars higher than the recent basis.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 21.

Tata Ordinary 379 Tata Deferred 1935 Indian Iron 36/12 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 32/9 Bombay Dyeing 1225 Central India 364/6 Gokak 368/2 Kohinoor 646/5 Simplex 248 Swadeshi 668/12 Tata Power 1582/8 Associated Cement 186 Belapur 325 Bombay Burma (Old) 502/8 Scindia 40/6 Central Bank 95 New India 80 Tata 2nd Pref. 151/4

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

Bombay, Jan. 21.

MILLS

Ahmedabad Advance 555 605 600
Apollo 4/3 4/2/63 4/3
B Dyeing 1210 1200 17/8 12/8 25
C India 361 59 64 63 64
Colaba 320
B. Textiles 602/8
Elphinstone Ord 92 93
Finlay 339 40 38 43
Gokak 360 63 58 69 67 69 68
I U Defd 3/3/6 3/3
I U Ord. 15/13 16/12 17 16/15 17
Indore 687/8 75 77/8 67/8 87/8
Kohinoor 641 42 37 40 37 46
Laxmi 1040 35
Meyer 220/10
Model 210 8/12 11/4
Minerva 207/8
Morarji 592/8 91/4 92/8
New City 226/4 25
New Great 445 44 46 44 47
Podar 380
Shrinivas 650
Simplex 242 43 41 46 45 46
Swadeshi 661 64 59 69
Tata Mills 84/8 84/12 84/8 86
Vishnu 627/8

BANKS

Baroda 171/8 72
Central 95 94/8 95
Imperial Old 2235 25 30 25 27/8
Imperial New 550/10 51/4
India 242 41 44 42/8
Reserve 115 14/8
Union 10/13 10/10 10/11
U. Commercial 76/8 76

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 147/8 46/4 48/12
Ajmer Elec. 9/12
Andhra Valley 1505 10 2/8
B. Tram Ord 139 29/8 39/4 39/12 39/4 39/8
Hydro 163 60
Hydro Pref 134 30
Power 1590 90 80 82/8
Power Pref 1395

INSURANCE

I. Mercantile 54
New India 79/12 80
Scindia Steam 30/5 30/2 30/6 30/8 30/6

STEEL

B Steel 32/4 32/2 32/4 32/2 32/9
I Iron 36/7 36/12 (Ex Div.)
Tata Defd 1922/8 25 12/8 23/12 17/8 35 30 40 35
Tata Ord 377 76 79/8 79
Tata IInd Pref 150/8 61/4

MISCELLANEOUS

A C C Old 185/8 84/4 87
A C O New 112 12/8
Belapur 323 20 25
B B Old 495 507/8
B B New 165
B B Petrol 3/6/3 3/6
I Bleaching 157 58
I I Trust 105/4
Port Canning 75
Port Const. 238 35 38
Shivrajpur 37 37/8
Tata Chem. 17/8 18 17/12 19 18/8 19
Tata Oil 66 67 68
Walchand Nagar 190 87/8
Wimco 310 17/8

SPECIAL

Central Coupon 18 20
Simplex Coupon 124
Central Bank New 95 95/8 94/8
Andhra Valley Debenture 104/8

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

	Rs.	as.	p.
2-1/2 p.c. 1954	98	12	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1950	101	6	0
2 1/2 pc 1961	97	12	0
2-3/4 pc 1948-52	100	8	0
2-3/4 pc 1960	99	12	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1962	100	4	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1976	99	10	0
3 p.c. Non-Terminable.	110	6	0
3 pc 1986 Con.	100	10	0
3 pc 1949-52	102	0	0
3 pc 1953-54	102	12	0
3 pc 1953-55	102	10	0
3 pc 1952	102	8	0
3 p.c. 1959-61	102	5	0
3pc 1963-66	101	9	0
3 pc 1966-68	101	7	0
3 pc 1970-75	101	5	0
3-1/2 pc 1951-59	106	4	0
4 p.c. 1948-53	102	12	0
4 pc 1960-70	113	10	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1950-55	106	4	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1955-60	114	2	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	117	8	0

PROVINCIAL LOANS

2-3/4 p.c U. P. 1961	99	0	0
2-3/4 p.c. Madras 1961	99	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1956	102	0	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1955	102	0	0
4 p.c. Punjab 1949	99	8	0
3 p.c. Madras 1962-63	101	0	0
3 p.c. Punjab 1952	99	8	0
3 p.c. U. P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. C. P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. N. W F. 1952	100	4	0
3 p.c. U. P 1961-66	101	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay Port Trust	118	0	0
4 p.c. Bombay Municipality City	118	0	0
3 p.c Bombay Municipality 1959	118	0	0
3-1/4 pc Municipal New 1977	102	4	0
3-1/4 p c. New Municipality 1954	120	0	0
3 pc K. P. T.	114	0	0

ITALIAN ART SILK QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, Jan. 22.

150 D. Jan.	7	8	0
150 D. Feb.	7	5	0
120 D. Ready	8	8	0

KUTCH HUNDI

Hundi 296 to 297/- Gold Rs. 102/- and Silver Rs. 150/-.

A recent Gwalior Government Gazette notification announces abolition of price control on Juar and Bajra and their products with effect from Jan. 17 and cancellation of the statutory maximum wholesale prices fixed for these foodgrains in the State.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 15/16 Ready
B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6/-5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month
New York and Montreal B C Rates T T Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Buying T T Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 3550
Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs. 3650
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79
Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs. 1305
Java Banks Selling T T D D—
Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 157 1/4
New York-London Cross Rate Dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4
London/Afghanistan Afghani Rs. 52.57-53.43
London Alexandria Sha. 97 1/4-3/4
London Amsterdam F. 10.68-70
London Bangkok Tcl. 40
London Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4
London Denmark Kr. 19.32-36
London Hongkong 1/3 1/16
London Iran Rl. 128-130
London Java Fl. 10.68-70
London Lisbon Es. 99.80-100.20
London Manila Pes. 8.07-12
London Montreal 4. 02 3/4-4.03 1/4
London New York
London Oslo Kr. 19 98-20.02
London Paris Fcs. 479.70-480.80
London Prague K. 201-202
London Singapore 2/4 7/32-1/8
London Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50
London Switzerland Fcs. 17.34-36
London Syria 880-5
London Discts 3 Months 17/32 p.c.
London Discts 6 Months 9/16/-5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 2 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.
Money:—Call 1/2 p c 3 months 3/4 p c 6 months 1 p c 12 months 1-1/2 p.c.
Tone:—Easy.

Further Restriction On Export Of Raw Cotton

The Government of India announced in a Press Communique dated November 30, that the export of long staple raw cotton (1⅜ x 16" and above) would be prohibited. In view of the practical difficulties involved in administering this restriction and of the imperative need for the conservation of suitable types of raw cotton for use in the mills, it has been decided to prohibit, with immediate effect, the export outside the Indian Union to all territories, including Pakistan, of all raw cotton except the following specified varieties, namely,

Bengal Deshi,
Oomra Deshi, (excluding CPI and II),
Malvia,
Assams, and
Comillas.

To avoid hardship, however, to such exporters as may have effected confirmed sales of varieties of short and medium staple cotton other than those specified above prior to the announcement of this prohibition, the Government has decided that consignments covered by sales effected prior to this date will be allowed to be exported, provided documentary evidence is produced to the Export Trade Control authorities at the port of export within three days of this announcement. Therefore, exporters concerned are advised to contact the Export Trade Control authorities at the port concerned with such evidence immediately. Claims received after three days of this announcement will not be considered.

LONDON STOCK

London, Jan. 20.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	81
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	105-7/8
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	103-11/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113-1/8
Victory Bonds 4 p c	115-1/4
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11-7/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (Lond. Reg.)	122-1/2

Transaction on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 10,468

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Jan. 20.

U. S. Price of foreign silver 74-5/8 cents.

LONDON BULLION

London, Jan. 20.

Silver Spot	45 d.
Forward	44.3/4 d.
Gold	£8/12/3

LONDON WHEAT

London, Jan. 20.

Australian Wheat (bulk) F. O. B. 137/6 Mar/Apl quoted

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

Imports

BOMBAY, Jan. 21.

Today's imports were as under:—

S.S. STREEPKERK

FROM ROTTERDAM:—

154 cases bright ox cow chains, 40 kgs Congored, 142 boxes glow lamps, 400 kgs. bright round wire nails, 30 bdls. leather packing bands for weaving machinery, 70 bags Dutch thin carawayseed, 372 fine blued square cut tacks from wire, 61 cases P.T.C. bicycle chains, 470 cases wire nails, 60 bales paper, 40 cases iron hinges.

FROM ANTWERP:—

88 cases polished plate glass, 782 cases wire nails, 597 cases sheet glass, 70 cases thin sheet glass, 33 bales luggage carriers, 50 cases umbrella rims 400 cases Belgium window glass, 165 cases iron wood screws, 200 drums hydrosulphate of soda, 30 cases plain galvanised soft wire, 405 cases panel pins, 135 cases cut lacks, 80 cases blued wire lacks, 902 window glass, 50 cases electrical cable, 50 bags borax crystral 120 bags carriages bolts and nuts, 36 crates zinc sheets, 539 cases glees, 1184 cases Belgium sheet glass, 200 cases bright iron wire nails, 25 cases woollen tissues, 35 cases black rivets, 45 cases figured rolled glass, 75 cases mild steel rivets, 100 cases twiren rivets.

FROM GENOVA:

39 cases Apothecaryware harmless, 88 drums aniline dyestuff, 170 carboys oxignated water, 400 carboys glacial acetic acid, 40 barrels coaltar dyes, 470 bales white unglazed paper, 82 drums aniline dyes, 105 cases chemical products, 96 cases umbrella solid ribs, 26 drums dyes derived from coaltar, 57 wooden barrels chlorate of potash in powder, 59 cases ball-bearing, 30 cases alarm clocks, 44 cases aluminium files, 157 pkgs. aniline colours, 97 pkgs. cinema projectors, 60 bales Italian yellow raw silk, 55 bottles machinery, 40 cases mixed melton, 110 bales Italian raw silk, 25 cases umbrella celluloid handles, 201 cases umbrella ribs, 95 cases cycle spokes.

FROM MARSEILLES:

295 kgs. lead ore 411 drums oxinated water 448 bales Egyptian cotton.

Exports

Goods entered for Exports:—

S.S. CILICIA

TO LIVERPOOL:—

Cotton piecegoods: 95 bales K. Shewak Ram & Sons; 17 bales Chellson Ltd., 310 bales United Traders Ltd.

S.S. JALABALA

TO ADEN:

16 cases glass bangles, A. Moosaji.

TO ANTWERP:—

190 casks groundnut oil, Baroda oil Mills.

TO LIVERPOOL:

35 bales woollen carpets The Indian Shippers Ltd.

TO LONDON:—

5 bales wool carpets Nath Carpet Co. 33 cases Bristals. F. H. Kassambhoy.

S.S. CITY OF HONGKONG

TO LIVERPOOL:—

700 tons manganese ore The Shivrajpur Syndicate Ltd.

S.S. CASTALIA

TO LIVERPOOL:—

7 bales cotton piecegoods, Sapt. Textile Product (India) Ltd. 148 bales hemp. M. Dawoodbhoy.

S.S. DACHUNIBA

TO LONDON:—

90 cases Bristals, B. P. & Heyley Ltd., 6 bales lamb skins R. & A. Chalmuoiff, 1680 bags soap stone powder S. Wallace & Co. Ltd.,

TO ANTWERP:—

33 kgs. raw wool, Shamjimall.

S.S. GAMARIA

TO RANGOON:—

20 bags Jethi mundh, G. E. Surtee & Sons, 25 cases American glass umbrellas, D. Dadabhoy & Co. 50 bags black salt. M. Gokaldas & Co. 120 drums hypoid geerit S. Vacuum Oil Co. 42 bales cotton towels A. S. Yusuf 30 bdls. Clove, A. Nanalal & Co. from A. Ghulamhussain 25 cases glass tumbrellas, 33 pkgs. glass bottles, 56 cases aluminium utensils, Kamani Engineering Corp. Ltd.

S.S. JALAMONE

TO COLOMBO:—

Cotton piecegoods, 14 bales. A. G. Mohamed, 7 bales E. Dada from S. N. V. N. Pillai 45 bags drug unmanufactured, 100 bags Myrabollams, 160 pkgs. dry fish (Bombias) M. K. Samsudin.

S.S. MUIDERKERK

TO MELBOURNE:—

10 bales Cotton piecegoods Manekji & Co.

TO SYDNEY:—

7 bales cotton piecegoods Manekji & Co.

S.S. RIDEANPARK

TO MELBOURNE:

22 cases cigarettes. Golden Tobacco Co.

TO WELLINGTON:—

100 bags groundnut seed. I. N. Export Co.

TO LYTTLETON: 105 bags groundnut seed I. N. Exprt Co.

TO AUCLAND:—

131 bags groundnut seed. International Export Co.

S.S. BALI

TO ROTTERDAM:—

455 drums groundnut oil Ralli Bros. Ltd.

S.S. LUTTERKERK

TO ROTTERDAM: 107 drums groundnut oil. Holland Bombay Trader Co. Ltd.

TO ANTWERP: 25 bales Hemp. M. Dawoodbhoy.

S.S. BAMORA

TO BASRAH: 250 gent tyres, Firestone Tyres & Rubber Co. of India Ltd.

TO KHORAMSHAHER: 80 bags black pepper. N. Parmanand.

TO KUWAIT: 16 cases mango chutney. M. M. Punjaji & Co.

TO MUSCAT: 5 bdls. cane sticks. M. M. Suleman.

S.S. MARINE SNAPPER

TO SUEZ: 70 drums castor oil M. C. Mehta & Co. 5 cases sandalwood oil, Indo Foreign Trading Corp.

TO MARSEILLES: 10 bdls. dry salted goatskin. Western India Skin Exporters.

TO PHILADELPHIA: 77 bales wool raw—Shamjimal.

TO BOSTON: Dry salted goatskin 50 bales—Shamjimal, 31 bales Indian Goatskin Corp. Ltd. 24 bales Western India Skin Exporters, 300 bales Cotton Waste—Champaklal &

TO PORT SAID: 65 drums castor oil G. Ujamshibhoy.

Co.

TO NEW YORK: 200 bags black pepper. B. Ramshingh. 122 bags drug unmanufactured S. Ramsingh.

Cotton waste 225 bales C. Damodar & Co. 300 bales Champaklal Ltd. 18 bales dry salted goatskin India Goatskin Corp. Ltd. Drug unmanufactured 60 bags P. Davis & Co. Ltd. 919 bags K Kapur & Co. 3557 bags Myrabollams P. R. Tata & Co. 100 bales cotton waste—Sapt. Textile Product (India) Ltd. 23 bales dry salted goatskin. Eastern India Skin Exporters. 280 bags sandalwood billets—Sandalwood Oil Trdg. Co.

Slow Down In Cloth Buying Tells On N. Y. Cotton Market

Prices Move Within Narrow Range

NEW YORK, Jan. 20. (U.P.A.): The cotton market experienced a quiet session to-day, but turned steadier after an irregular start, although March continues to meet with liquidation on all upturns. Spot houses and shippers bought May and July deliveries, fixing prices against Army acceptances of raw cotton for shipment to Japan plus hedge lifting against British purchases of California irrigated cotton and the expected business as reported under negotiation whereby France and Italy would be paid for out of interim aid funds.

EXPORT PICTURE.

The cheerful aspect of the export picture was brightened further by reports that India was curtailing raw cotton exports to assure ample supplies to its own mills.

March liquidation was less aggressive on the whole, but technicians were fearful that the hedging of the spot month will increase at any upturns hereafter against certifications being made on low grades for contract delivery. The underlying bullish confidence was still shaken by the recent unexpected events in March delivery and holders, not too well fortified financially, were more inclined to accept profits at upturns until the Washington picture, the anti-inflation and the foreign aid programmes were fully clarified.

SLOW CLOTH BUYING.

The indifference of buyers in the textile market was in contrast with the eager demand before the year-end holidays with continuing pressure to shade prices also proving disconcerting. The slow down in cloth buying may make mills less hasty about anticipating any spurt in cotton needs, particularly in view of the 300,000 bale increase in mill stocks.

To-day's session opened seven lower to two higher. Prices dipped to losses of four to seven points and then steadier on trade demand although March followed haltingly. The strength of grains aided a slow recovery and the market finished as much as 90 cents per bale above the lows on deferred deliveries, closing a net four lower to 13 higher.

AID ALLOTMENTS.

The disappointment felt by the drop in exports for the season thus far is being relieved to some extent by the hopes that interim aid allotments to continental countries will give a spur in the buying direction. Also, Latin American countries are expected to be able to buy more cotton under the sums advanced. Exports in the first three months of this season ended November 30th dropped to 428,381 bales compared with nearly 1,250,000 bales during the same period last season. November exports slumped to 164,665 bales as against nearly 500,000 bales last year. Traders are hopeful that the latest export figures represent a low ebb for the season and that the tide will turn definitely with the approval of Marshall Plan. Britain is also expected to step up the drive to regain the export trade. Harold Wilson, President of the British Board of Trade, announced plans to increase textile exports to Canada ten fold, setting a goal of 100,000,000 yards this year. Wilson said the plan would allow Canada to save dollar exchange while helping to restore Britain's pre-war position as a main supplier to the dominion.

Dealers believe that the market is in the trading range and is likely to be subjected to day to day orders until the overhanging Washington uncertainties are clarified.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Jan. 20.

March	35.31+04
March Highest	35.54+19
March Lowest	35.29—06
May	35.42+08
July	34.81+18
October	31.82+02
December	31.20+04
March	31.05+08
May	30.88+15
Middling Spot	36.16—04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Jan. 20.

March	35.26—06
May	35.41+04
July	34.46+04
October	31.60—03
December	31.17+05
Middling Spot	35.10—

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (UPA).

Black pepper futures closed 200 higher to 200 lower with no sales reported. Spot handlers reported a stalemate in the outside market pending further political Indonesian developments and the revival of domestic buyer interest. Spot black pepper was quoted between 45 and 46 cents and white pepper between 63 to 65 cents per pound. Trade sources heard reports that Sumatra producers had a carry over supply of 10,000 tons and the new crop is estimated at about 15,000 tons. White pepper supplies on Bangka Island were reported to be 3,300 tons.

Closing prices included: January 43 bid; March 43 nom; May 40-42 cents; July/September 39 bid; October 38 bid; December 37 bid.

Linseed oil was quoted at 32.7. Other seed prices were unchanged.

AMSTERDAM PEPPER PRICES

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 20 (UPA).

The Amsterdam pepper market today quoted mixed Muntok at 345 guilders per 100 kilos and white Batavia Muntok at 355 guilders for January/February while black Batavia lampong was quoted at 280 guilders, January/February.

White Singapore Muntok was quoted at 330 shillings per hundredweight, January/February whereas black Singapore lampong was quoted at 235 shillings, January/February.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, Jan. 20.

After irregular opening prices turned strong on increased demand attracted by yesterday's sharp decline and reports that the Commodity Credit Corporation purchased additional quantities of cash wheat overnight and is still in the market for supplies. Small country maize offerings due to continued reluctance on the part of producers to sell freely imparted strenght to foodgrains.

WALL STREET MARKET IRREGULAR

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.

A somewhat softer tendency developed with the abatement of pressure adding assertion of technical consideration after Monday's decline. Prices initially gave little further ground but then short-covering and some reinvestment demand stemmed the decline. Prices later were fractionally mixed with gains barely predominating and including numerous pivotals. Averages were industrials 178.80 and rails 50.31. Some leading rubbers chemicals, oils, tobaccos and farm implements were shaky but most other issues held earlier positions in very slow trading so far in 1948. Movements either way were covering one point with losses slightly in the majority. Rails featured an advance aided by estimated operating revenues for December of more than 24 per cent above the same month in 1946. Allied Chemical and Dupont showed losses of more than two points in final dealings but elsewhere prices continued fractionally mixed mostly, covering one point with the composite average rate finishing narrowly lower. The market closed irregular.

American Telephone and Telegraph	151
Amerex Holding Co.	27-3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	33-3/8
Chase National Bank	33-1/4
Sinclair Oil	16-1/2
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co.	47
General Electric Co.	36-1/4
General Motors	Multilated
Ingersol Rand	127-3/4 bid
International Nickel	27-1/4
National City Bank of New York	29-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	13-3/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	Mutilated
Texas Corporation	Mutilated
Union Carbon & Carbide	97-1/2
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	Mutilated
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	74-7/8
Western Union Telegraph Co.	19-5/8

LONDON PEPPER QUIET

LONDON, Jan. 20 (UPA).

The pepper market remained quiet today with white quoted at 2/11 and black 2/-1/2.

THE EXCHANGE BANK OF INDIA & AFRICA LTD.

BOMBAY

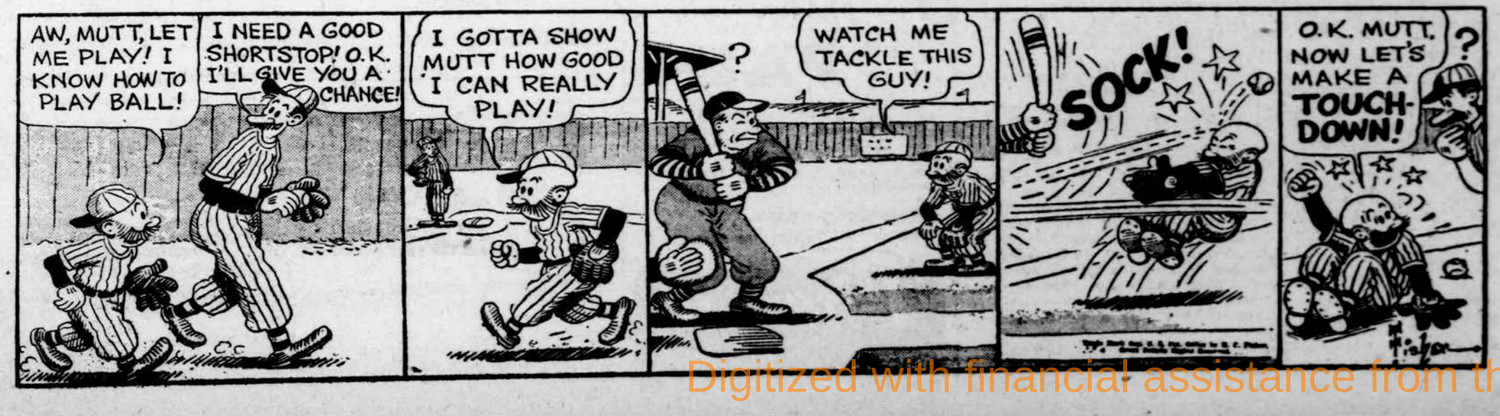
Subject to Audit, the working of the Bank for the year ended 31st December, 1947, has resulted in a net profit of Rs. 3,72,140-14-1 including a sum of Rs. 12,296-15-6 brought forward from the last year's accounts. The directors propose to dispose off the amount as under:

	Rs.	A.	P.
To transfer to Reserve Fund (making it Rs. 5,50,000/-)	1,25,000	0	0
To pay Dividend at the rate of 4% on Cumulative Preference Shares for the year 1947 (free of income-tax)	16,252	0	0
To pay Dividend at the rate of 3% on Ordinary Shares (free of income-tax)	78,355	8	0
To transfer to provision for taxation	1,50,000	0	0
To carry forward the balance to the next year's account	2,533	6	1
Total Rs.	3,72,140	14	1

Bombay: 19-1-1948.

MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff Is A Little Early For Football Practice

By BUD FISHER


AW, MUTT, LET ME PLAY! I KNOW HOW TO PLAY BALL!
I NEED A GOOD SHORTSTOP! O.K. I'LL GIVE YOU A CHANCE!
I GOTTA SHOW MUTT HOW GOOD I CAN REALLY PLAY!
WATCH ME TACKLE THIS GUY!
SOCK!
O.K. MUTT. NOW LET'S MAKE A TOUCH-DOWN!

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2 ANNAS PER WORD

MINIMUM Rs. 1/8/-

To be paid in advance.

MATRIMONIAL

Invited Correspondence from well educated, cultured, beautiful Girl or Widow between 22 and 26. For Matrimonial Alliance from a Journalist, aged 32, with a decent earning. Box No. 7984, "Bombay Chronicle."

A foreign qualified Hindu youth holding a high Government post wants a match of a family of a high position in public, Government or in business. Caste and money no consideration. Please correspond in full family particulars to Box No. 7905, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted Gujrati Brahmin bridegroom 22 to 27 years educated handsome healthy wealthy of respectable family for accomplished beautiful healthy high caste brahmin Virgin 17 years studying matric of very respectable family only above qualified need write Post Box 52, Bhavnagar. 7966

SITUATION VACANT

Wanted a capable hand to work as an Advertising Canvasser for a leading Nationalist Daily. Apply with full particulars as regards experience and salary expected to Box No. 2020 "Bombay Chronicle".

Applications invited immediately for a probationary assistant Principal's post in a Women's Training College (Marathi) in Bombay. Only competent Qualified experienced persons with Tr. Diploma, need apply to the Hon. Secretary Seva Sadan Society, Bombay 7. (7010)

Wanted by a large Steel Concern in Karachi, a reliable European, Parsi or Christian, knowing the Steel Trade, as a Manager to look after the concern. Salary according to qualifications. Contact Tele: 26395 (after office hours 61026) or apply to Box No. 7976, "Bombay Chronicle"

Wanted Canvasser for selling Bronze Powder. Apply to Famous Cine Litho Works, 40-B, Clerk Road, Jacob Circle, Bombay 11. (7982)

EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Matriculation:—Success suggestions, with series free. Apply to N. P. Acharya, Success Course Visnagar (N.G.). (7933)

MOTOR CARS FOR SALE

Fiat Ardita Saloon 1935, Excellent mechanical condition, suitable as Taxi, going cheap. Van Pestel c/o Netherlands Bank, 314, Hornby Road, Tel. 26267. (7981)

FINANCE & PARTNERSHIP

Wanted Immediately Financiers to invest Rs. 20,000 or above for highly profitable projects High Returns guaranteed Those interested in Fruit Farming and Allied industries need only apply to box 7983, "Bombay Chronicle."

MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted Machineries for manufacturing washing soaps, wax candles. Send offers with full details to Famous Cine Litho Works, 40-B, Clerk Road, Jacob Circle, Bombay No. 11 (7982)

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents Stockists for Aryamalam, Arya Laboratories 19, Surendra Banerji Road Calcutta (7483)

LIVE STOCKS

For Dogs Sickness Consult Seervai of Bellemont Kennels Post Box 8505 or Phone No 42245 (8239)

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Wanted Caustic Soda for our Lithographic Works, please send offers and quotations to Famous Cine Litho Works, 40, B. Clerk Road, Jacob Circle, Bombay No. 11. (7982)

Wanted Washing Soap, Sugar, Tea, Wax Candles, Peppermints, Chocolates, Cigarettes. Please send the best quotations and quantity available and other details to Famous Cine Litho Works, 40-B, Clerk Road, Jacob Circle, Bombay No. 11. (7982)

MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

We are booking orders for 12 HP Horizontal Engines and Ammonia Compressors 5"x5", 6"x6" and 7½" x 7½ The Indian Engineering Co., 31, Forbes Street (7977)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Available ex-Stocks American Electric Gramophones from Rs 180 Flourescent tubes and reflectors Electric lamps all standard voltages and types from 15 watt to 1000 watts C.T.S cables all sizes good discounts for quantities Apply Box No 3985 'Bombay Chronicle"

PUBLIC NOTICES

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY—TENDER

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES B.B & C.I Rly., Jacob Circle, Mahalaxmi, Bombay No. 11 invites tenders returnable on 26-1-48 for the supply of Blankets.

Tender form obtainable from his office free of cost on application.

Firms not on the approved list of tenderers of this Railway should quote their Banker's reference. (7011)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE AHMEDABAD ADVANCE MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

AT A MEETING of the Board of the Ahmedabad Advance Mills, Ltd., held on 20th January, 1948, the Directors of the Company have resolved to recommend to the shareholders to increase the Ordinary Share Capital of the Company from Rs. 10,00,000/- to Rs. 20,00,000/- by issue of bonus shares created by capitalising an amount of Rs. 10,00,000/- from the Reserve Fund. The new shares of the face value of Rs. 100/- each will be issued as fully paid to the existing Ordinary shareholders in the proportion of one new share for one existing share.

The new shares will be on par with the existing shares in regard to any dividends that may be declared out of the profits for the year ending 30th June 1948.

The Managing Agents have been authorised to apply to The Controller of Capital Issues for necessary permission to increase the capital, and an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be convened in due course for obtaining the approval of the shareholders to the abovementioned scheme.

For and on behalf of
The Ahmedabad Advance Mills, Ltd.,
TATA INDUSTRIES LTD.,
Managing Agents,
A. D. SHROFF,
Director.

Bombay, 20th January, 1948. 7007

THE BENGAL BURMA STEAM NAV. CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at Scindia House, Dougall Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th February, 1948, at 12 noon (S.T.) to transact the following business:

(1) To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1947.
(2) To Sanction Declaration of a Dividend.
(3) To elect Mr. S. C. Sheth & Mr. M. D. Raote who retire under Articles 120 of the Articles of Association of the Company and are eligible for re-election.
(4) To elect Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from 2nd February to 18th February, 1948, (both days inclusive.)

By Order of The Board of Directors.
For The Bengal Burma Steam Nav. Co. Ltd.,
For The Scindia Steam Nav. Co. Ltd.,
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO.,
Agents.
Managing Agents.

Scindia House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, 12th January, 1948.

N.B.—The Dividend when sanctioned, will be made payable at the Registered Office of the Company after the 1st April, 1948 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 2nd February, 1948 to whom Warrants will be posted.

Shareholders are requested to kindly notify any change of address giving Register folio. 7015

BENGAL NAGPUR RAILWAY: NOTICE OF TENDER

TENDERS ARE INVITED from experienced contractors for the construction of (1) an Extension of the B.N. Railway Jetty by 105 ft further into the river and (2) a mooringhead 60 ft. x 30 ft. at Fort Gloster station of the B.N. Rly in the Howrah-Khargpur Section.

Plan showing the extension of the Jetty, "Particulars about the Tender" and "Instruction to the Tenderers" can be obtained from the office of the Chief Engineer, B. N. Rly., Kidderpore, Calcutta, on submission of a receipt from the Chief Accounts Officer, B.N. Rly., Kidderpore, to the effect that payment of Rs. 4-, the price of plan and Particulars, etc., about the work has been made to him. This price is not refundable.

The tenders in sealed covers superscribed "Tender For Extension of Jetty at Fort Gloster" must be addressed to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Eastern Division, B.N. Rly., Kidderpore, Calcutta and must reach his office before 12 O'clock noon on 15-3-48 at which hour and date they will be opened in public.

CHIEF ENGINEER. (7005)

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE

Office of the Deputy Regional Food Controller, Moradabad Sub-region, MORABAD.

8585 maunds overseas OATS (Jai) stored partly in Kothas and partly in khattis will be sold by Public Auction on 12th February, 1948, at 2 p.m in the office of the undersigned.

1. Purchasers will be allowed to move the stocks anywhere in the Indian Dominion on payment of -/8/- per maund superior Administration charges

2. Samples can be seen at Moradabad on application.

3. The acceptance of the final bid will be subject to the sanction of the U P Govt.

All intending purchasers are invited to attend

S G BOSE MULLICK
Dy. Regional Food Controller.
Moradabad, 8-1-1948. (6967)

PUBLIC NOTICES

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the General Manager's Office, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta on 16th February, 1948 at 12 o'clock noon.

Tender No S/UC/NS/47/RPP for garments.

Tender forms with full particulars is obtainable from the Controller of Stores, East Indian Railway, Calcutta on Payment of Rs. 5/- per copy to the Treasurer, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta and on production of the receipt when applying for the same.

GENERAL MANAGER. (7003)

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS.

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for Reconditioning of scrap White Metal No. 4 and White Metal Scrap Boring (all White Metal) into antifriction metal G.I.P. Alloy No. 12. Tender form obtainable from the Stores Head Office, Gipstore, Lower Parel Bombay, No. 13, at Rs. 2/- per copy, NOT REFUNDABLE. Money Order or cash only. Closing date 16-2-1948 at 3 P.M. (S.T.). (7001)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

NOTICE

IN CONTINUATION of the Chief Engineer's Notice, dated 31st December, 1947, all the Port Trust workmen, who are on strike at present are hereby informed that unless they resume duty by 2 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 23rd January, 1948, they will be dismissed from service with immediate effect.

The workmen so dismissed will:

(1) Be liable to forfeiture of the Trustees' contributions to their Provident Fund under the Trustees' Provident Fund Rules;
(2) Have to vacate Port Trust quarters, if any, occupied by them;
(3) Cease immediately to be entitled to the grain concession; and
(4) Have to transfer their ration cards to outside grainshops.

No disciplinary action will be taken against the workers who resume duty by the above date and their absence during the period of the strike will be condoned and treated as leave WITHOUT PAY.

(NOTE—The Trustees have decided to adopt generally for their workmen the scales prescribed by the Railway Board for the Railway workmen, namely, Rs. 55-3-85-4-93 E.B.-4-125-5-130 for skilled workmen and Rs. 35-1-50- E.B. -2-60 for semi-skilled workmen with effect from 1st January 1947).

V. S. BHIDE,
Chairman,
Bombay Port Trust.

20th January, 1948. (7017)

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited by the Executive Engineer, Sarda Power House Construction Division Bareilly for crushing by machines or breaking by hand (1) 1½" stone ballast 2 lacs cft. (2) 1" stone ballast 50,000 cft. and (3) ¾" stone ballast 50,000 cft. at material dump opposite mile 0-4 to mile 0-6 right bank of Power Channel. The tender form (non-transferable) tender notice, specifications and special conditions of contract can be obtained on payment of Rs. 5/- which will not be refunded. Earnest money Rs. 1,500/- deposited in the name of the Executive Engineer in treasury or sub-treasury chalans or draft on approved banks must accompany the tender. (6996)

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

IN PURSUANCE of a requisition received under Section 36(d) of the Municipal Act, to consider the situation arising from the prolonged strike in the Port Trust, a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION will be held in the Municipal Office, on FRIDAY, the 30th January, 1948 at 4-30 P.M. (BOMBAY TIME).

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office, Bombay, 21st January 1948. (7018)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
RAILWAY BOARD
(EASTERN GROUP-SLEEPER CONTROL)

TENDER NO. 6/48-49

SEALED TENDERS are invited and will be opened at 2-30 P.M. on Wednesday, the 4th February, 1948 for the supply of 2,06,390 special size sawn sal and/or Pyinkado and teak sleepers. For Nepal sleepers delivered at stations in the United Provinces area tendered rates must not exceed the western circle ceiling prices fixed for the Forest Department, U P. Full particulars may be obtained from the undersigned on payment of Rs 10/- (Rupees Ten) being the cost of tender documents to the Financial Adviser and Chief Accounts Officer, B N Railway House, Kidderpore Calcutta 23, whose receipt for the amount or the original M.O receipt must be produced before such documents can be issued This sum will not be refunded Tender documents can also be sent by V.P.P on request.

SLEEPER CONTROL OFFICER
EASTERN GROUP.
B. N Railway House
Kidderpore, Calcutta 23
Dated 7th January, 1948 (6896)

PUBLIC NOTICES

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY
CLASS I CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the following and will be received in the General Manager's Office, East Indian Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta on or before 12 noon the 23/2/48.

Tender No S/SP/B/GBI/Skid for the supply of Skids.

Tender forms and drawings are obtainable on payment of the following charges to Treasurer, E.I. Railway, 105, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta, and on production of his receipt when applying for the same.

Tender form at Rs. 2/- per copy from Controller of Stores, E. I. Railway, Calcutta.

Drawing No. 2860, 2860A, 2860B, 2860C, 2860D, 2860E, 2860G, 2860H, 2860 J & 2860 K at annas -/8/- per copy from Deputy Chief Mechanical Engineer, E.I. Railway, Lillooah.

Firms outside Calcutta may however remit the amount for tender form to Controller of Stores, E. I. Railway, Calcutta, direct by money order.

Once these documents are issued no refund is permissible.

Sealed tenders delivered by hand should be presented for registration in the Dy. General Manager's Office and then put into the Tender Box outside the Dy. General Manager (Works) room by tenderer or his representative.

The tenders will be opened in the office of the Dy. General Manager's (Works) room E.I. Railway Calcutta at 12 noon on 23/2/48. The tenderers if they desire may be present at the time of opening of tenders.

GENERAL MANAGER. (7004)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DISPOSALS.

TENDERS, in prescribed forms, are invited for the purchase of quantities of Surplus Woollen Hosiery Yarn, Flannel, and a variety of Woollen Garments, located mostly in Depots at Shahjahanpur, Ludhiana, and Kanpur.

Tender Forms, together with details of Stores, location, Reserve price, conditions of sale, etc., are available on payment of Rs. 5/- per set, from the Cashier, Directorate General of Disposals, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi, and from Regional Commissioners of Disposals, Madras, Bombay, Kanpur and Calcutta. The amount must be sent by Money Order or paid in Cash. No cheques will be accepted.

Tenders will be received upto 5 P.M. on 11-2-48, and will be opened in public at 11 A.M. on 12-2-48.

Issued by
DIRECTOR GENERAL OF
DISPOSALS,
New Delhi. 7006

SAMBHAR SHAMLAT ADMINISTRATION

TENDER NOTICE

WITH REFERENCE to this Office Advertisement, dated the 29th November, 1947, appearing in "Hindustan Times"; "Bombay Chronicle" and "Statesman" dated the 10th Dec. 47, 6th Dec. 47, and 12th Dec. 1947, respectively, it is further notified for the information of all concerned that tenders for water-works Sambhar will now be received upto 12 noon, dated the 31st March, 1948.

(Sd.) .....
DISTRICT OFFICER,
Sambhar Shamlat Area.. 6957

DACCA UNIVERSITY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the Professorship of Commerce in the scale of Rs. 600-50/2-800, p.m., initial salary depending on qualifications. If a suitable candidate for Professorship be not available a Reader will be appointed in place of the Professor in the scale of Rs. 400-40/2-600, p.m. Candidates are required to state in the application whether they are willing to accept the Readership if it is offered to them. The appointment will be made for two years in the first instance and may be renewed on approved service, till the age of retirement. The person appointed will also have to act as the Head of the Department of Commerce. Nine copies of applications and of all testimonials should reach the Registrar not later than 1st April, 1948. For full particulars please apply to the Registrar, Dacca University, P. O Ramna, Dacca, (East Bengal). (6903)

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY
IN INSOLVENCY
No. 11 OF 1948.

Re: H. S. DOLIKUKA of Bombay, Parsi Inhabitant, carrying on business at Ismail Building, Hornby Road, within the Fort, of Bombay .. A Debtor.

Ex parte: HEMCHAND RAMJI: .. Petitioning Creditor.

On the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioning Creditor presented on the 19th day of January, 1948, an order was made on the 20th day of January, 1948, by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 21st day of January, 1948.

SAROSH H. A. VAKIL,
Insolvency Registrar. (7016)

LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. MATHURDAS CHATARBHUJ MEHTA has contracted to sell to Mr. JAMNADAS HARJIWANDAS PARIKH and VASANTKUMAR HARJIWANDAS PARIKH, the property described below free from all incumbrances. All persons having any claims against the said property by way of mortgage, sale, inheritance, gift, lease, lien, charge, use, trust, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their place of business C/o Phoenix Watch Co., at 169, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without regard to any such claims and the same, if any, will be considered to have been waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being on Plot No. 602-D of the Dadar-Matunga Estate of the Corporation in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1170 Square yards or thereabouts together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon bearing portion of New Survey No. 1872 and Cadastral Survey No. 689-D/10 Matunga Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 7031 (13C), Street No. 598 L. C. and F Ward No. 7031 (13D), Street No. 598 D and bounded, on the North-East partly by Plot No. 601A and partly by Plot No. 601B on the South-East partly by Plot No. 603 and partly by plot No. 602C on South-West partly by plot No. 602C and partly by 100 feet Lady Jehangir Road and the North-West partly by Plot No. 602B and partly by plot No. 602A.

Dated this 21st day of January, 1948.

JAMNADAS HARJIWANDAS PARIKH,
VASANTKUMAR HARJIWANDAS PARIKH,
Purchasers-In-Person. (7012)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our clients the PARAMOUNT DYES AND CHEMICALS LTD., having their registered Office at Elphinstone Building, Churchgate Street have contracted to purchase the undermentioned property from Sale Mahomed Karim Khatri. All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge maintenance, trust, easement or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference, to such claim and the same if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece and parcel of land together with the buildings and structures standing thereon, situate at Chembur, Wadavli, bearing Survey No. 74 (Pot Nos. 3, 3 and 6) Survey No. 75 (Pot Nos. 1, 2 and 4) and Survey No. 76 (Pot Nos. 1-9) and Survey No. 89 (Pot Nos. 1 and 2).

Dated this 17th day of January 1948.

DABHOLKER & JESHTARAM,
Purchasers' Attorneys. (7002)

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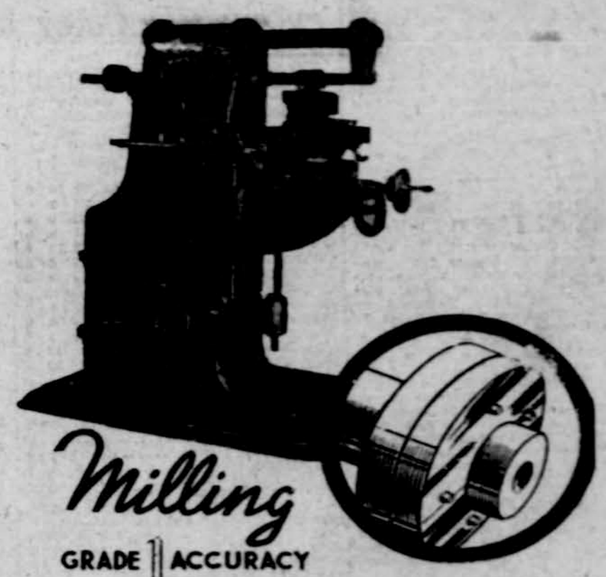

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